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In Brief

Talking Book Topics on Diskette

Starting with this issue, NLS is making *Talking Book Topics* available on computer diskette as part of a one-year pilot project to gauge interest in the format.

The diskette edition contains both *Braille Book Review* and *Talking Book Topics* as two separate ASCII text files on one $3^1/_2$-inch IBM-compatible diskette. The data is readable by nearly all editor and word processing software. Each file consists of the In Brief section, the book listings complete with annotation, and a magazine listing. Indexes and order forms are not included.

Each diskette is packaged in a standard diskette mailer and is being sent to patrons around the same time as other formats of *Talking Book Topics*. During this one-year pilot, you should continue to receive your current format of *Talking Book Topics* along with the computer diskette edition. The diskette is to be kept, not returned to the producer or your library.

If you would like to receive *Talking Book Topics* and *Braille Book Review* on computer diskette, contact your cooperating library.

NLS Publishes Bibliographies

NLS has recently published two new bibliographies listing books available in recorded and braille formats. *Romances and Love Stories* features selected novels taking place in various time periods and settings. The bibliography lists gothic romances, Harlequin novels, and Regency

stories by many authors, including Janet Dailey, Janette Oke, Danielle Steel, and Phyllis A. Whitney.

Pioneer and Frontier Stories lists selected books dealing with the lives of the people who blazed trails westward and settled the land. The bibliography includes descriptions of autobiographies of Buffalo Bill and General Custer and also of cowpunchers, cooks, and gold miners. Authors as diverse as James Fenimore Cooper, Willa Cather, Larry McMurtry, and Edna Ferber have all set novels on the frontier.

Both publications are available in large print, and *Romances and Love Stories* is available in audio cassette format. *Pioneer and Frontier Stories* will be produced early this spring on audio cassette. The large-print editions contain titles available on cassette and in braille. The recorded editions list only cassettes. Patrons who requested the publications on their annual order form will receive them automatically. If you did not order but would like a copy, contact your cooperating library.

Books for Adults

Books listed in this issue of *Talking Book Topics* were recently sent to cooperating libraries. The complete collection contains books by many authors on fiction and nonfiction subjects, including biographies, classics, gothics, mysteries, romances, and others. Contact your cooperating library to learn more about the wide range of books available in the collection.

In this listing, books on flexible disc are labeled with the code FD and cassette books with the code RC. All disc books have been recorded to play at the speed of 8 rpm; the cassette books play at 15/16 ips. Cassette titles marked with a dagger (†) were produced earlier on flexible discs. To order disc or cassette books, fill out the order form and send it to your cooperating library.

Note: For the information of the reader, a notice may appear immediately following the book description to indicate occurrences of strong language, explicit descriptions of sex, or violence. The words "some" before any of these terms indicates an occasional or infrequent occurrence, as in "some strong language."

Discs Nonfiction

The Longest Day: June 6, 1944 FD 38896
by Cornelius Ryan
read by Jake Williams
7 flexible discs (Reissue)
A reconstruction of the D-Day invasion of Europe, covering the hours before and after the massive landing in Normandy. The author depicts the Nazi enemy that the Allied forces fought and the civilians who were caught in the epic battle that would determine the course of fascism. Bestseller 1959.

The Lessons of Love: Rediscovering Our Passion for Life When It All Seems Too Hard to Take FD 39861
by Melody Beattie
read by Yvonne Fair Tessler
3 flexible discs
After a troubled childhood, a low-income existence, and a divorce, Beattie becomes the bestselling author of *Codependent No More (RC 28220)*. For three years she is "at the top of the mountain"; her dreams have come true. Then her adolescent son dies after a skiing accident, sending Beattie into years of despair until she learns the "lessons of love." Bestseller 1994.

The Bubba Gump Shrimp Co. Cookbook FD 39877
read by Jamie Horton
2 flexible discs
More than seventy-five shrimp recipes from *Southern Living* and reflections ("Bubba was my best good friend, and even I know that's something you can't just find around the corner") from a Winston Groom novel that became a popular movie about a very simple, very likable person—*Forrest Gump (RC 38876)*, who started the Bubba Gump Shrimp Company. Includes shrimp dishes to bake, barbecue, boil, fry, saute, and combine with sauce or slaw. 1994.

Discs Fiction

Murder on the Potomac FD 38895
by Margaret Truman
read by Mary Woods
5 flexible discs
When the body of Pauline Juris, secre-

tary to Wendell Tierney, is found alongside the Potomac River, Tierney seeks the advice of law professor Mac Smith. Incriminating evidence in the form of love letters turns up in Pauline's apartment. It seems that more than one of the Tierneys is suspect. Meanwhile they all take part in a playacting group that re-creates old Washington murders. Some strong language. Bestseller 1994.

Mistress FD 38899
by Amanda Quick
read by Yvonne Fair Tessler
7 flexible discs
Iphiginia Bright has given up her school for girls, toured Europe to study classical antiquities, and moved to London, where she is parading as the mistress of Marcus Cloud, Earl of Masters—who she believes is dead. She is using this disguise to uncover a blackmailer. But Marcus is not dead, and when he arrives in London, Iphiginia causes him to break many of the strict rules he has been living by. Some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1994.

Lord of Raven's Peak FD 38900
by Catherine Coulter
read by Jill Ferris
7 flexible discs
A.D. 916. Merrik Haraldsson, the Viking lord of Raven's Peak, has come to the slave market in Kiev to purchase a woman slave for his mother. But when he arrives, his eyes are drawn to a young boy slave. By the time Merrik returns to Norway, he has three slaves, one of whom turns out to be a woman. She also happens to be a skald, a troubadour of Viking tales. Violence, some strong language, and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1994.

The House of Thunder FD 39851
by Dean R. Koontz
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
5 flexible discs
When Susan Thorton, thirty-two, awakes in a hospital room, she has no recollection of why she is there. At first all she remembers is her name and age. Then slowly her memory returns and she dreams she is lying in a pool of blood in the House of Thunder. Violence. Bestseller 1982.

Until You FD 39852
by Judith McNaught
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
8 flexible discs
Sheridan Bromleigh spent the first fourteen years of her life drifting around America with her father. Then she was sent to live with her aunt, who turned her into a refined young lady and school teacher. Sheridan is asked to accompany a student, Charise Lancaster, to England to meet her fiancé, Lord Burleton. But a series of mishaps finds Sheridan in the home of Lord Westmoreland, who believes she is Charise. Some descriptions of sex. 1994.

The Legacy FD 39853
by Linda Lael Miller
read by Mary Woods
6 flexible discs
Jacy Tiernan returns to South Australia when her father, Jake, has a heart attack. Ian Yarbro is not happy to see her: ten years ago Jacy broke Ian's heart by fleeing to America when his ex-lover announced she was pregnant by him. Now Jake wants Jacy and Ian to marry and take over his land. But their lust for each other may not be enough to sustain a marriage. Strong language, ex-

plicit descriptions of sex, and some violence. Bestseller 1994.

For My Lady's Heart FD 39854
by Laura Kinsale
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
9 flexible discs
Ruck of Wolfscar finds himself penniless: his wife has entered a nunnery and given all his worldly goods to the church. Then he is rescued by Melanthe del Monteverde who gives him two emeralds. Now thirteen years later, and known as the Green Knight, Ruck has come to save Melanthe from the duke of Lancaster and to claim her as his own. Violence and explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1993.

Natural Causes FD 39856
by Michael Palmer
read by Mary Woods
7 flexible discs
Former holistic healer Sarah Baldwin decided to get an orthodox medical degree after an ethics disagreement with her mentor/lover Peter Ettinger. Now an obstetric resident, Sarah is shocked when one of her patients hemorrhages, losing both the baby and her arm. When two other cases come to light, Sarah's prenatal holistic tea is suspect. Someone is setting Sarah up to take the blame, but who and why? Strong language and violence. Bestseller 1994.

Wild Horses FD 39860
by Dick Francis
read by Bob Askey
5 flexible discs
Newmarket, home of English thoroughbred racing, is being used as the background for a film based on a murder some years back among the horsey set. During a break in the shooting, director Thomas Lyon visits an old friend, a newspaper columnist, who makes a deathbed confession that Lyon discovers is related to the film in progress. Soon it becomes clear that someone with a good memory wants to stop the film. Some strong language. Bestseller 1994.

Daughter of the Stars FD 39862
by Phyllis A. Whitney
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
4 flexible discs
Children's author Lacey Elliot grew up without knowing any family except her mother. A letter has arrived from Harpers Ferry, West Virginia, and, to spare her ill mother, Lacey reads the letter and learns that she has relatives she never knew existed. She travels to Harpers Ferry, where her arrival, along with that of her grandfather, Daniel Griffin, stirs up long-suppressed memories involving murder—and another murder ensues. 1994.

Irish Gold FD 39863
by Andrew M. Greeley
read by Jim Zeiger
8 flexible discs
Dermot Michael Coyne, twenty-five, has come to Dublin to find out why his grandparents, the O'Riadas, left in 1920 during the Troubles, saying they could never return. Dermot meets young Nuala Anne McGrail in a pub, and she agrees to translate Dermot's grandmother's diaries. As Nuala works on the translation, she uncovers information that puts both her and Dermot in danger. Some strong language and some violence. 1994.

Pearl in the Mist FD 39864
by V.C. Andrews
read by Mary Woods
6 flexible discs
It has been a year since Ruby Landry came to live with her father, stepmother Daphne, and twin sister Gisselle. Because Daphne does not want Ruby around, both girls are sent to a boarding school in Baton Rouge, where Gisselle frequently causes trouble for which Ruby is blamed. But Ruby gets into trouble of her own that affects the rest of her life. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. Sequel to *Ruby (RC 37928)*. 1994.

Cassettes Nonfiction

After the War Was Over: Hanoi and Saigon RC 37069
by Neil Sheehan
read by Barrett Whitener
1 cassette
A journalist, who once believed that it was possible to understand the Vietnam War, presented his ideas in 1988's *A Bright Shining Lie (RC 28014)* but experienced a change of heart upon his later return to Vietnam. Sheehan describes daily life of a poverty-stricken but forgiving people still ravaged by a war over for two decades. 1992.

Anna: A Daughter's Life RC 37958
by William Loizeaux
read by Phil Regensdorf
2 cassettes
Loizeaux tells the story of his daughter Anna's brief life in 1989 and of the bittersweet memories he is left with. William and Beth Loizeaux were in their thirties, and Anna was their eagerly awaited first child. Born with VATER syndrome, Anna's outward appearance belied serious problems with her organs, including her heart and kidneys. Enduring multiple operations and procedures, Anna was given a loving home life during her five-and-a-half months. 1993.

My Life in Spite of Myself! RC 38083
by Roy Clark and Marc Eliot
read by Don Emmick
2 cassettes
Autobiography of the country music star and host of the television show "Hee Haw." Clark, born in the depths of the Great Depression, moved with his family to wherever they could find work. His father, a laborer, sometimes moonlighted playing guitar for square dances. Roy, following in his father's footsteps, added banjo and a little comedy to his act and soon was making a name and a living for himself. 1994.

On Fire RC 38097
by Larry Brown
read by Phil Regensdorf
1 cassette
Brown, having spent seventeen years as a firefighter in his native Oxford, Mississippi, quit to become a full-time writer. After several novels, including *Dirty Work (RC 31821)* and *Joe (RC 35575)*, he writes here of his years in the fire department. Arranged in short essays, these memoirs describe the experience of going into a burning building and his life in the firehouse and at home with his family. Strong language. 1993.

The Way I Was RC 38120
by Marvin Hamlisch and Gerald Gardner
read by Ray Hagen
2 cassettes
The musically precocious boy who was

admitted to the Juilliard School of Music at age six wrote pop songs when he was supposedly tending to his classical music studies. But the urge paid off in the form of impressive awards, also at an early age. After the success of *A Chorus Line*, the composer went through a low period. Now he happily recounts the joy he has found in marriage, and with it a renewed stimulus. 1992.

Love's Mind: An Essay on Contemplative Life RC 38125
by John S. Dunne
read by David Impastato
1 cassette
Author reflects that American life tends not to be contemplative, and avers that if one chooses to journey into the realm of the contemplative, one may find answers to the violence and loneliness that permeate the culture. Dunne leads would-be explorers into the worlds of literature, music, and art on their quest for what he believes is the missing element in their lives—union with the love of God. 1993.

***Medea* and Other Plays: *Medea*, *Hecabe*, *Electra*, *Heracles* RC 38420**
by Euripides
read by Kimberly Schraf
2 cassettes
Contains four ancient classical Greek dramas. This playwright, called "the most tragic of poets" by Aristotle, dwelt on the subject of human suffering. Among Euripides, practices were the use of the chorus for commentary and the use of contemporary language in the speech of heroes. A nonconformist, he was often ridiculed for his beliefs, and late in life he left Athens forever. 1963.

Power, Privilege, and the *Post*: The Katharine Graham Story RC 38588
by Carol Felsenthal
read by Catherine Byers
4 cassettes
In the 1930s, Eugene Meyer bought the *Washington Post*, the smallest of several Washington dailies. Pleased when daughter Katharine married attorney Phil Graham, Meyer turned the paper over to him while Katharine languished in the background. Then Graham's breakdown and suicide in 1963 left Katharine in charge. The *Post*'s role in Watergate and the Pentagon Papers turned the paper around. Strong language. 1993.

Parallel Lives: Five Victorian Marriages RC 38666
by Phyllis Rose
read by Patricia Kilgarriff
3 cassettes
Rose uses the experiences of her nineteenth-century subjects and their unusual marriages to explore the shifting tides of power between men and women. The five couples are Jane Welsh and Thomas Carlyle, Effie Gray and John Ruskin, Catherine Hogarth and Charles Dickens, Harriet Taylor and John Stuart Mill, and George Eliot (Mary Ann Evans) and George Henry Lewes. 1983.

The Neandertals: Changing the Image of Mankind RC 38670
by Erik Trinkaus and Pat Shipman
read by Ken Kliban
4 cassettes
The authors trace the stormy path of scientific studies since the 1856 discovery of Neandertal remains in a German valley. Trinkaus and Shipman reveal how the debate has taken many de-

tours, often depending upon researchers' positions on human evolution or religious beliefs. 1992.

Certain Trumpets: The Call of Leaders RC 38682
by Garry Wills
read by Peter Johnson
3 cassettes
A historian selects sixteen people he believes exhibited the elusive quality of leadership and describes the conditions necessary for leaders to succeed. Wills shows how Martin Luther King, Jr., Dorothy Day, Socrates, and others turned circumstances toward a goal with the cooperation of followers. To each portrait of a leader, Wills adds postscripts—which he calls "anti-types"—to show why certain would-be leaders fail. 1994.

And Always Tomorrow RC 38692
by Sarah E. Lorenz
read by Judith Ann Gantly
2 cassettes (Reissue)
A mother's account of her family's struggle when the oldest son becomes mentally ill. The family faces social stigma, the problem of finding a good psychiatrist, the decision of whom to believe, financial difficulty, and the challenge of keeping faith. 1963.

From Cradle to Grave: The Human Face of Poverty in America RC 38693
by Jonathan Freedman
read by Ralph Lowenstein
2 cassettes
Because he finds "simple life stories more persuasive than brilliant abstract arguments," journalist Freedman spent three years seeking out successful programs dealing with aspects of poverty and compiling stories of people who have been helped by the programs. These stories are arranged chronologically through the stages of life: from the prenatal period and infancy through aging and dying. 1993.

Martyrs' Day: Chronicle of a Small War RC 38695
by Michael Kelly
read by Ken Kliban
3 cassettes
Kelly, who was working as a freelance journalist for several newspapers and magazines, provides an account of his travels throughout the Middle East between November 1990 and November 1991. He describes his visits to Iraq, Jordan, Kuwait, and Iran and offers insight into people's concerns regarding the conflicts throughout the area and the events surrounding the Persian Gulf War. Violence and strong language. 1993.

E.M. Forster: A Biography RC 38697
by Nicola Beauman
read by Patrick Horgan
3 cassettes
A literary biography examining the relationship between Forster's life and his novels, several of which have been made into movies. Beauman describes how Morgan Forster lived quietly for most of his life with his Edwardian mother, although the friends and foreign travel that he enjoyed influenced his writing during this period. In addition to connecting Forster's life with his fiction, Beauman notes the books that influenced the author. 1993.

Roald Dahl: A Biography RC 38705
by Jeremy Treglown
read by George Holmes
2 cassettes
Best-known for his children's books, which include *James and the Giant*

Peach (RC 32548) and *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory (RC 33498)*, Dahl was a multifaceted and often difficult man with "an intense self-dissatisfied perfectionism." Treglown explores the late author's personal and professional lives, including his long first marriage to actress Patricia Neal and his bullying role in her recovery from strokes. Some strong language. 1994.

The Creative Spirit RC 38706
by Daniel Goleman and others
read by Ralph Lowenstein
2 cassettes
Stating that creative moments are vital to everything we do in any area of life, the authors of this companion to a 1992 PBS television series examine the nature of creativity. Dare to be naive, learn to listen, take risks, embrace your anxieties, make the most of every sense, and say hello and good-bye to the voice of judgment are a few of the pointers given by noted "creative" people including Helen Keller. 1992.

James Earl Jones: Voices and Silences RC 38707
by James Earl Jones and Penelope Niven
read by Richard Davidson
3 cassettes
His parents having divorced before he was born, young James lives on his grandparents' farm. When they plan to turn him over to his other grandmother, he develops a stutter that renders him virtually mute for eight years. The discovery that he can enunciate clearly from a script primes Jones for his distinguished career as an actor, ironically following in the footsteps of his absent father. 1993.

Sandcastles: The Arabs in Search of the Modern World RC 38709
by Milton Viorst
read by Peter Johnson
4 cassettes
Viorst, a writer for the *New Yorker* and author of several books on the Middle East, examines the history, politics, and culture of the Arab countries of Iraq, Turkey, Egypt, Syria, Lebanon, Kuwait, and Jordan, as well as the Palestinians. He talked with officials and citizens and emphasizes the Gulf War and the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. He also comments on the Arab mood after the 1993 peace agreement. 1994.

Surviving a Writer's Life RC 38718
by Suzanne Lipsett
read by Suzanne Toren
1 cassette
Through a collection of short reminiscences, Lipsett relates how she became a writer. Lipsett's life has been traumatic—her mother died when Lipsett was four, her father forbade any talk about her mother, and Lipsett endured a rape and breast cancer. She has travelled throughout the world, and she calls upon these experiences as a basis for her fiction. Some strong language. 1994.

†Barbara Bush: A Memoir RC 38873
by Barbara Bush
read by Jill Ferris
5 cassettes
Drawing upon her diaries, tapes, letters, and from a "very selective memory of the early days," Barbara Bush shares the experiences of what she calls a life of "privilege of every kind." She writes of the first years of the Bushes' marriage, the births of their children and the death of one, the campaign trail, the world leaders she met, the White House

years, and of life after the presidency. Bestseller 1994.

†The Haldeman Diaries: Inside the Nixon White House RC 38886
by H.R. Haldeman
read by John Rayburn
6 cassettes
The chief of staff for President Nixon kept a personal daily record of the events in which he was involved. The subjects range from the American political structure to domestic policy, bureaucracy, the media, the moon landing, Supreme Court nominations and rejections, the China trip, war and the military, the Pentagon Papers, the Moscow Summit, SALT I, elections, and Watergate. Some strong language. Bestseller 1994.

†The Agenda: Inside the Clinton White House RC 38893
by Bob Woodward
read by Jake Williams
3 cassettes
Washington Post journalist describes Clinton's effort to make good on his campaign pledge to improve the economy. Using interviews with more than 250 people, Woodward aims, he says, "to combine the thoroughness of history with the contemporaneity of journalism." Details of formal meetings and of conversations illustrate Clinton's first-year struggle to pass his economic plan. Strong language. Bestseller 1994.

†Oprah! Up Close and Down Home RC 38894
by Nellie Bly
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
The author looks at Oprah's life from her 1954 birth in rural Mississippi to her 1993 status as one of America's richest women. She describes Oprah's childhood and the sexual abuse she suffered, her years of struggle as she became famous, her on-again, off-again relationship with Stedman Graham, her movies, her constant dieting, and some of the famous guests she has had on her television show. Bestseller 1993.

†The Longest Day: June 6, 1944 RC 38896
by Cornelius Ryan
read by Jake Williams
3 cassettes (Reissue)
A reconstruction of the D-Day invasion of Europe, covering the hours before and after the massive landing in Normandy. The author depicts the Nazi enemy that the Allied forces fought and the civilians who were caught in the epic battle that would determine the course of fascism. Bestseller 1959.

More than a Carpenter RC 38973
by Josh McDowell
read by Randy Atcher
1 cassette
Josh McDowell used to think that Christians were "out of their minds" to believe that Jesus Christ was God. He has changed his beliefs and now he argues with those who believe as he once did. Here he discusses what he believes makes Jesus so different from other religious leaders, the Biblical records on which belief is founded, and how Jesus Christ changed his life. 1977.

A Howard Nemerov Reader RC 39005
by Howard Nemerov
read by Roy Avers
4 cassettes
This "reader" is both an anthology and a book of instruction, as it contains not only more than two decades of poetry (for which Nemerov is best known), but

also a few short stories, several essays, and *Federigo; or, The Power of Love*, a full-length novel. Strong language. 1991.

Golden Opportunities: Hundreds of Money-making, Money-saving Gems for Anyone over Fifty RC 39032
by Amy and Armond Budish
read by David Hilder
5 cassettes
A consumer affairs specialist and her attorney husband, who wrote *Avoiding the Medicaid Trap (RC 36070)*, present tips to ensure that older people get all the benefits they're due from the government. Topics include calculating social security, retiring early, timing a divorce, selling a home, getting disability benefits, using Medicare and Medicaid, and paying taxes. 1992.

A Consumer's Guide to Aging RC 39078
by David H. Solomon and others
read by John Rayburn
4 cassettes
Five experts give advice on aspects of aging to those over the age of fifty. Subjects discussed include getting optimal nutrition and exercise; maintaining emotional health; dealing with medical care and insurance; managing personal finances; having an active sex life; exploring housing options; relating to family members; and joining, staying in, or leaving the work force. 1992.

Justice Lewis F. Powell, Jr. RC 39082
by John C. Jeffries, Jr.
read by John Rayburn
5 cassettes
Biography of the justice who often cast the deciding vote during an era when the Supreme Court was dealing with issues such as the Nixon tapes, abortion, affirmative action, school busing, and the constitutionality of capital punishment. A former clerk for Justice Powell, with complete access to Powell's private papers, portrays a conscientious man of great influence during the years from 1972 to 1987. 1994.

Vignettes: Stories from Lives with Multiple Sclerosis RC 39087
edited by John K. Wolf
read by Maggie Welch
1 cassette
Collection of more than 100 stories from people who either have multiple sclerosis or know someone who does. Ranging from several paragraphs to several pages, these vignettes show the "pain with the humor, the love with the hatefulness" that may affect the lives of persons with multiple sclerosis. Includes an index of related topics. 1993.

Liverpool Buttons and Homeward-Bound Stitches: Portrait of a Master Mariner RC 39115
by Ottmar Friz
read by Randy Atcher
2 cassettes
Captain Friz offers an account of his life as a sailor of the seas. Friz began his career at the age of fifteen when he left his native Germany and set sail from Denmark on a square-rigger. He became a U.S. citizen, served in both world wars, and obtained the rank of master mariner before his compulsory retirement at age seventy. 1993.

The Man in the Water: Essays and Stories RC 39127
by Roger Rosenblatt
read by Jack Fox
3 cassettes
The title story is about a man who makes the ultimate sacrifice so that

others can be rescued after a plane crash dumps them into an icy river. Many stories are serious or even somber, but some, such as "They Do" and "Hair Piece," reflect lighter moments. "Introduction to the Reader," an exploration of Rosenblatt's relationship with his father, is one of the nearly sixty essays included. 1994.

No Ordinary Time: Franklin and Eleanor Roosevelt; the Home Front in World War II RC 39154

by Doris Kearns Goodwin
read by Janis Gray
7 cassettes
A portrait of the president and the first lady during World War II, based on the author's examination of their papers and interviews with their friends and family. Goodwin analyzes the Roosevelts' adversities, achievements, and leadership from interrelated political, social, intellectual, and personal perspectives. 1994.

In Touch: The Letters of Paul Bowles RC 39163

by Paul Bowles
read by Robert Blumenfeld
5 cassettes
Letters from an American-born author who traveled extensively before settling in Tangiers. During these years, Bowles met many of the cognoscenti of the arts world on several continents, and he corresponded with them for much of the twentieth century. As a writer, composer, translator, and critic, Bowles wrote often on subjects related to his interests, but one of his most frequent themes was travel. 1994.

John Maynard Keynes, Volume 2: The Economist as Saviour, 1920–1937 RC 39180

by Robert Skidelsky
read by John Horton
7 cassettes
Sequel to *John Maynard Keynes, Volume 1 (RC 24871)*. Skidelsky picks up the story of the complex man who abandoned a homosexual lifestyle to marry a Russian ballerina; who mixed with bohemian friends as easily as with his Cambridge colleagues; and who advocated spending as a way out of the Great Depression, thus inventing deficit spending. 1992.

Special Tasks: The Memoirs of an Unwanted Witness—a Soviet Spymaster RC 39189

by Pavel Sudoplatov and others
read by Lou Harpenau
4 cassettes
Sudoplatov's memoirs, as told to Jerrold and Leona Schecter by himself and his son. They cover Sudoplatov's intelligence career, which coincided with Stalin's thirty years in office. Some of the author's descriptions of his activities, such as the acquisition of U.S. atomic secrets, challenge prevailing accounts. He also provides insight into Soviet society. Bestseller 1994.

Compromised: Clinton, Bush, and the CIA RC 39222

by Terry Reed and John Cummings
read by Butch Hoover
7 cassettes
A military intelligence operative and a civilian worker for the FBI and CIA until, he claims, he was framed for balking at taking part in the Iran-Contra affair, Reed tells how government officials may have compromised their

integrity. Aided by an investigative reporter, Reed asserts that Presidents Reagan, Bush, and Clinton participated in an illegal cover-up. Some strong language. Bestseller 1994.

Back Talk: Teaching Lost Selves to Speak RC 39235
by Joan Weimer
read by Judith Ann Gantly
2 cassettes
English professor and writer Weimer says she stays high by seeing how many projects she can keep going at once. When surgery for a back injury severely restricts her activities, Weimer is forced to find a "different self." She is surprised to be helped in this endeavor by the object of her studies—nineteenth-century writer Constance Fenimore Woolson. Some strong language. 1994.

Russia under the Bolshevik Regime RC 39240
by Richard Pipes
read by Ken Kliban
5 cassettes
In this sequel to *The Russian Revolution (RC 32799)*, the author examines the totalitarian state that was created between the uprising and Lenin's death in 1924. With access to archives opened in the 1990s, Pipes discusses Soviet leaders' expansion plans, the Civil War, the 1921 famine, Lenin's policies, and the failures that threatened the early demise of the entire regime. 1994.

Monty: The Battles of Field Marshal Bernard Montgomery RC 39241
by Nigel Hamilton
read by Patrick Horgan
4 cassettes
A single-volume condensation of the author's award-winning trilogy. For this portrait, the author draws on the British military leader's personal papers as well as interviews with people acquainted with "Monty." The resulting image depicts the man who led the Anglo-American armies on D-Day as a dedicated professional soldier beset by human frailties. 1994.

The Struggle for Russia RC 39258
by Boris Yeltsin
read by Ken Kliban
3 cassettes
Russia's first popularly elected leader draws on his personal diaries for this account of the collapse of the Soviet Union and Russia's move toward a democratic and free market system. Chronicling historical events, anecdotal and autobiographical, Yeltsin includes subjects that range from bold political moves to quieting his infant daughter. Sequel to *Against the Grain (RC 33193)*. 1994.

The Marriage Diaries of Robert and Clara Schumann: From Their Wedding Day through the Russia Trip RC 39259
by Robert and Clara Schumann
read by Robert Blumenfeld
3 cassettes
The Schumanns took turns in making entries about everything that touched their relationship for the first four years of their marriage. The joint effort records happiness and tension, the birth of children, financial problems, travel, Robert's mental health, Clara's resumption of her concert career, details about his compositions, and reactions to their musical friends. 1993.

Heterosexuality RC 39262
by William H. Masters and others
read by Ralph Lowenstein
5 cassettes
Sex researchers and therapists provide

an account of such aspects of heterosexuality as sexual desire and behavior; conception and contraception; sexually transmitted diseases, including AIDS; problems with sexuality; sex in adolescence and in aging; and love, affairs, and sensuality. The authors have collaborated on other books including *Masters and Johnson on Sex and Human Loving (RC 24984)*. Explicit descriptions and discussion of sexual activity. 1994.

Price of Honor: Muslim Women Lift the Veil of Silence on the Islamic World RC 39289

by Jan Goodwin
read by Celeste Lawson
3 cassettes
Goodwin became interested in the plight of Muslim women because of her relationship with a Pakistani girl who became like her daughter and who was bartered in marriage at age eleven. Goodwin interviewed women, and some men, in ten Islamic countries. She examines the lives of women of various stations and the effects of changing Islamic attitudes in the late twentieth century. Violence. 1994.

Tuva or Bust! Richard Feynman's Last Journey RC 39306

by Ralph Leighton
read by Terence Aselford
2 cassettes
In 1977, during dinner at the home of noted physicist Richard Feynman, the author and Feynman agreed to visit Tannu Tuva, a small "purple splotch on the map near Outer Mongolia." Leighton describes the preparations that went into planning the trip, the people they met while making arrangements, and their ten-year struggle for an official invitation that came a few days too late for Feynman. 1991.

Living with Wildlife: How to Enjoy, Cope with, and Protect North America's Wild Creatures around Your Home and Theirs RC 39338

by California Center for Wildlife
read by Bill Wallace
3 cassettes
Natural history and animal-control information about wildlife with which humans are most likely to come into contact. The animal is described, as is its range and habitat, its notable behavior, and its enemies and defenses. Humane methods are suggested for various situations in which the animal might present a problem. 1994.

Once around the Bloch: An Unauthorized Autobiography RC 39377

by Robert Bloch
read by Richard Davidson
3 cassettes
Science fiction writer Bloch provides a tongue-in-cheek account of his life. His memoirs include his childhood—he was born with a silver spoon in his mouth, it just had somebody else's initials on it; his early written work, which was influenced by H.P. Lovecraft; his involvement in politics; and the making of many of his stories into movies—especially *Psycho*. He also includes original footnotes. 1993.

Janet Reno: Doing the Right Thing RC 39387

by Paul Anderson
read by Catherine Byers
2 cassettes
Anderson, Washington correspondent for the *Miami Herald*, presents an account of Reno's life through her first year as attorney general. Reno is por-

trayed as an independent person who wants to blaze a trail for women combatting sexism, who is neither interested in trends nor impressed by wealth, who is honest and willing to take the blame for her own mistakes, and who is not afraid to let people know where she stands on issues. 1994.

In a Time of Violence RC 39404
by Eavan Boland
read by Terry Donnelly
1 cassette
An Irish poet explores memory, politics, myths, and the world of women. Boland introduces this volume with a tribute to a group of women singers who face unrelenting hardships "rejoicing in finding a voice where they found a vision." Poems in a section called "Legends" capture a moment in a neighborhood at dusk when things are getting ready to happen out of sight and limn the intensity of loving parents with a dying child. 1994.

Shakespeare RC 39408
by Germaine Greer
read by Suzanne Toren
1 cassette
The author contends that Shakespeare did much to shape the values we consider to be typically English. Greer argues that the basis for understanding the Bard's art and thought is to be found in the interaction between the text of his plays and the reaction of the audience. She touches on aspects of the playwright's life, philosophy, and politics and offers an essay on his social values, especially his belief in the importance of marriage. 1986.

American Dragons: Twenty-five Asian American Voices RC 39409
edited by Laurence Yep
read by Gordon Gould
2 cassettes
An anthology of twenty-five stories, poems, and essays by Asian Americans that enlighten, probe, and examine the experiences and emotions of young people with roots in Japan, China, India, Korea, and Southeast Asia. Selections are set in the past, present, and future, and most raise questions about identity and about preserving or rejecting the values of ancestors. For junior and senior high readers. 1993.

Excursions in the Real World: Memoirs RC 39410
by William Trevor
read by Patrick Horgan
2 cassettes
Autobiographical sketches begin with Trevor's recollections of his Irish youth, when movies left the strongest impression. Dublin conjures up memories of boarding school. In spite of spending his college years and working as a schoolteacher in this city, Trevor still feels like a visitor. London proves more agreeable as he begins to acquire his writing skills. Bits on travel and literature complete the portrait. 1993.

The Presidency of Abraham Lincoln RC 39423
by Phillip Shaw Paludan
read by Randy Atcher
3 cassettes
A Civil War scholar analyzes Lincoln's administration. Proceeding chronologically, Paludan examines Lincoln's presidency beginning with his election and the formation of his cabinet. The author asserts that no president faced greater

challenges in defending the oath of office. And he credits Lincoln with resolving two of the greatest struggles in American history: saving the Union and freeing the slaves. 1994.

A Natural History of Shells RC 39456
by Geerat J. Vermeij
read by Butch Hoover
2 cassettes
The study of shells from a biological point of view. Vermeij is concerned with the evolutionary history of shells. He studies the anatomy, adaptation, and distribution of shells and explains that shells can be shaped by geology, geographical location, and predators. 1993.

Feel No Fear: The Power, Passion, and Politics of a Life in Gymnastics RC 39460
by Bela Karolyi and
Nancy Ann Richardson
read by Art Metzler
2 cassettes
Karolyi's success teaching gymnastics to school children in Rumanian mining towns led to his developing the national team. Even though his discovery Nadia Comaneci won six gold medals, Karolyi was harassed and forced to defect due to political pressure. At first not welcomed in America, he once again met success with Mary Lou Retton. Strong language. 1994.

The Warren Buffett Way: Investment Strategies of the World's Greatest Investor RC 39493
by Robert G. Hagstrom, Jr.
read by Robert Sams
3 cassettes
Combines biographical details with an outline of this highly successful investor's career. The author presents examples of how Buffett developed his investment techniques and methods, emphasizing the decisions that produced his spectacular performance record. Hagstrom outlines Buffett's tenets and describes how the investor follows them. Bestseller 1994.

A Matter of Choices: Memoirs of a Female Physicist RC 39502
by Fay Ajzenberg-Selove
read by Suzanne Toren
2 cassettes
A nuclear physicist reveals her struggle for acceptance in a profession once almost totally dominated by males. The author describes how at first she was protected from discrimination but still had to fight on her own to earn tenure. On the personal side, she recalls her battle with breast cancer, her enjoyment of the camaraderie among colleagues, and her joy in teaching as well as in a happy marriage. 1994.

Tchaikovsky Remembered RC 39508
by David Brown
read by Robert Blumenfeld
2 cassettes
The introduction is followed by a chronology of Tchaikovsky's life and works, with reference to contemporary figures and events. Then, drawing on accounts of the popular Russian composer written during his lifetime, the author portrays the public and private sides of a troubled figure who wrote operas, ballets, symphonies, and concertos, as well as orchestral, chamber, choral, vocal, and piano music, and who died under mysterious circumstances. 1993.

Pecked to Death by Ducks RC 39510
by Tim Cahill
read by Nick Sullivan
3 cassettes
Cahill states that for fifteen years his

adventures have given readers a chance to realize their dreams about visiting exotic locales. He divides this book into large categories covering animals, nature's grandeur, and risky ventures, and relates experiences such as traveling through the burning oil fields of Kuwait, kayaking in Baja, drinking with Australians, and crawling through caves. Some violence. 1993.

Princess in Love RC 39536
by Anna Pasternak
read by Barbara Caruso
2 cassettes
Claims to tell the true story of Princess Diana's affair with James Hewitt, staff captain in the palace Household Division. They met at a party in 1986, where Diana inquired if James, who ran the household stables, would help her overcome her fear of horseback riding. Supposedly the two were attracted immediately and soon developed a romantic relationship. The author has recreated their thoughts and conversations during a five-year period. Bestseller 1994.

A Greater Love: Prince Charles's Twenty-Year Affair with Camilla Parker Bowles RC 39545
by Christopher Wilson
read by George Holmes
2 cassettes
British journalist chronicles the Prince of Wales's relationship with the "other woman," tracing a friendship begun when both were single and continued after each was married to another partner. As background Wilson fills in details about the pastimes, social customs, and duties of royal and other upperclass Britons, touching on the subject of the future of the monarchy. 1994.

Long Walk to Freedom: The Autobiography of Nelson Mandela RC 39555
by Nelson Mandela
read by Ralph Lowenstein
5 cassettes
Memoirs of the South African leader who spent twenty-seven years in prison for opposing apartheid. Son of a tribal chief, Mandela had a traditional country childhood and a college education. As a leader of the African National Congress, he began talks that led to the mitigation of apartheid. Released from prison in 1990, he became president in 1994, with blacks voting for the first time. Bestseller 1994.

Moving beyond Words RC 39564
by Gloria Steinem
read by Catherine Byers
3 cassettes
As noted feminist Steinem turns sixty, she looks at aspects of the women's movement in six essays. In "What If *Freud* Were *Phyllis*?" she applies gender reversal to the psychiatrist's theories. Writing of a female bodybuilder, she discusses being inspired to go beyond imagined limits of strength and daring. She examines *Ms. Magazine*'s decision to be ad-free and reminds women: "There's no second [of time] like this one." Bestseller 1994.

***You Belong to Me* and Other True Cases: Ann Rule's Crime Files, Volume 2 RC 39614**
by Ann Rule
read by Jill Ferris
3 cassettes
The sequel to *A Rose for Her Grave (RC 37330)* focuses on Florida patrolman Tim Harris. He marries young Sandy, who stands by him even when

she learns he has a mistress. When Tim's increasingly cruel behavior causes Sandy to leave him, he stalks her. This fuels suspicions when a woman is killed on Tim's stretch of I-95. Some strong language and some violence. Bestseller 1994.

Dave Barry Is *Not* Making This Up
RC 39617
by Dave Barry
read by Jamie Horton
1 cassette
Even though humor columnist Barry admits his definition of journalism is sitting around thinking things up, he has managed to compile a collection with an "unusually high [for him] level of factual content." He is bewildered by teen habits (why they wear their hats backwards and enormous pants that would fit two or three more teenagers) and critiques the performance of the mugger who tried to rob Barry and writer Calvin Trillin at fingerpoint. 1994.

Couplehood RC 39622
by Paul Reiser
read by Jamie Horton
1 cassette
Paul Reiser, star and cocreator of the sitcom *Mad about You*, discusses the humor in being married and other aspects of life. Showering together is not much fun since one person is in the back freezing. His wife foolishly never takes a sweater with her on outings, so he is the one who gets cold when he kindly gives up his. And all the mindless, random things he does around the house become greatly amplified when someone is watching. Bestseller 1994.

Teen Prostitution RC 39625
by Joan J. Johnson
read by Maggie Welch
1 cassette
Analysis of a social problem that the author feels is often overlooked. Johnson examines why kids leave home, how they are recruited for prostitution, and why it is so difficult to escape the lifestyle. She discredits certain stereotypes, including that of the "black pimp," and describes the power of sexual fantasy—which can obscure the risk of AIDS. She also offers possible solutions to the problems. For junior and senior high and older readers. 1992.

Real Moments RC 39632
by Barbara De Angelis
read by Yvonne Fair Tessler
2 cassettes
Talk show host believes that "we have become experts at preparing to live, but have a difficult time fully enjoying the process of being alive, right now." Although planning and achieving goals can bring satisfaction, real happiness can only be achieved by experiencing the present. Drawing from her own spiritual learning experience, De Angelis provides tips on learning this skill. Bestseller 1994.

The Origin of Humankind RC 39786
by Richard Leakey
read by Ronald B. Meyer
1 cassette
The author traces the history of evolution theories and draws on his scientific analysis of human fossils to explain human origins. Leakey's position is that in spite of what certain evolutionary events suggest, it is social behavior, not mechanical devices like tools, that drives the evolutionary force. 1994.

Cleopatra RC 39806
by Don Nardo
read by Mary Kane
1 cassette
Cleopatra VII, queen of Egypt from 51 to 30 B.C., became a legend in her own time. Her intimate relationships with Julius Caesar and Mark Antony, two of the most powerful men of the day, make her controversial. Noting that she was called greedy, dishonest, immoral, and a poor ruler by some and resourceful and an able ruler by others, the author attempts to separate fact from fiction in this biography. For junior and senior high and older readers. 1994.

Cassettes Fiction

My Thomas: A Novel of Martha Jefferson's Life RC 37610
by Roberta Grimes
read by Patricia Martin
3 cassettes
Love story about the wife of the third president of the United States. This story is based solely on a reconstruction of Martha's journal, because Thomas was so distraught when she died after they had been married only ten years that he destroyed her letters. The story of their devotion is told against a backdrop of the Revolutionary War, slavery, and national political events. 1993.

Guinevere: The Legend in Autumn RC 37922
by Persia Woolley
read by Barbara Caruso
3 cassettes
As Guinevere awaits her burning at the stake at dawn, her longtime friend Gareth passes the hours with her. Together they look back on Guinevere's life as queen to King Arthur. Perhaps things would have been different if she had not raised Arthur's bastard son Mordred, and if she had not fallen in love with Lancelot. But those events led to her eventual downfall. Sequel to *Queen of the Summer Stars (RC 37921)*. 1991.

The Kaisho: A Nicholas Linnear Novel RC 37959
by Eric Lustbader
read by David Hartley-Margolin
4 cassettes
In this sequel to *The White Ninja (RC 31012)*, Nicholas Linnear is asked to fulfill a long-ago promise to help a Japanese underworld leader, the Kaisho. The gangster has been trying to stymie an evil international conglomerate and is now marked for death. Meanwhile, the would-be assassin's related attack on an American mob boss has brought Linnear's friend Lew Croaker out of retirement. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1993.

The Gates of Ivory RC 38005
by Margaret Drabble
read by Flo Gibson
3 cassettes
In *A Natural Curiosity (RC 31859)*, Drabble portrayed the lives of British women Liz, Alix, and Esther, friends since college. In this sequel, Liz, a London psychiatrist, receives an odd package from her longtime friend Stephen Cox, who has gone to Cambodia. As Liz searches for Stephen in Southeast Asia, glimpses of his life and the lives of Liz and her two friends are revealed. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1991.

Gambler's Luck RC 38082
by H.B. Broome
read by Ellen Frost
2 cassettes
Lad Trimble, nineteen, heir to a Virginia estate, has been thrown out of college for gambling. His father has sent him to Texas, to the ranch of a wartime pal, where Lad is to stay until he "grows up." Lad's initiation into the ways of the West begins when he is almost hanged. And before he settles down with a wife, Lad will have to bluff his way out of several dangerous situations. Strong language and some violence. 1993.

Dakota Scouts RC 38094
by Flynn J. Ell
read by Phil Regensdorf
1 cassette
Although leading ironically parallel lives, John Benson and Lone Bear are mortal enemies. Benson is a scout for the army, Lone Bear a scout for the Sioux. Their feud begins in earnest when Lone Bear embarrasses Benson by stealing his big bay and his Winchester. As the fight continues, Benson's colleague sums up the situation: "Who's to say what's right and wrong out here? You had a job to do and so did he." Some violence. 1992.

The Porcupine RC 38098
by Julian Barnes
read by June Carter
1 cassette
The Communist Party in a former Balkan state has fallen, and the elderly former dictator is on trial. His accuser is the newly appointed chief prosecutor. The novel focuses on the interaction between the two men, particularly their generational and ideological differences. Four young people keenly interested in the proceedings follow the trial on television and provide a running commentary. Strong language. 1992.

City of Truth RC 38099
by James Morrow
read by Phil Regensdorf
1 cassette
Jack Sperry lives and works in Veritas, the city where no lies are tolerated and people have been conditioned to speak the truth—all the time. As an art deconstructionist, Sperry labors to rid civilization of the lies perpetrated by novelists, painters, poets, and film directors. Then one day he learns the importance of being able to believe in something that isn't real. Nebula Award winner. 1990.

A Vow of Sanctity RC 38100
by Veronica Black
read by Marilyn Gleason
2 cassettes
After solving two mysteries during her first year at the convent, thirty-six-year-old Sister Joan is sent on a retreat to a Scottish cave to give the other sisters some rest. Almost immediately upon arrival, Sister Joan's schedule is interrupted by odd goings-on. Someone is following her, a modern corpse is sitting amongst those of ancient monks, and she suspects that a death and a disappearance that both occurred six years ago may be related. 1993.

The Mother: The Good Earth Trilogy, Volume 3 RC 38117
by Pearl S. Buck
read by Kimberly Schraf
2 cassettes
Sequel to *Sons (RC 37612)*. A Chinese peasant, overwhelmed by the responsibility of an aged mother, a wife, and small children and by the routine of his

daily life, is stimulated by travelers' tales and gambler's luck and suddenly deserts his family. The young mother slaves to support everyone with a devotion that achieves its reward at last in a grandchild. 1934.

I Believe in Angels RC 38119
by Fiona Cooper
read by Barbara Rappaport
1 cassette
Collection of seventeen stories of compassion, humor, and sadness, mostly involving grandmothers. In the title story, a young girl is guarded by angels her grandmother assigned to keep her safe. In "Ilsa's War," a Jewish grandmother shares stories about her life with a writer who is house-sitting for her son. And in "Early One Morning," a young girl and her grandmother discover their beach covered by an oil slick. Some strong language. 1993.

The Ebbing Tide: Tide Trilogy, Book 3 RC 38160
by Elisabeth Ogilvie
read by Catherine Byers
2 cassettes (Reissue)
In the sequel to *Storm Tide (RC 38159)*, Joanna is dismayed when her husband Nils is sent overseas with the Coast Guard. Then her aunt has the nerve to sell the old Bennett house to an outsider! But both Joanna and her surly brother are soon won over by the new owner, Dennis Garland. It's not until a year after Nils leaves Bennett's Island that Joanna understands why she is drawn to Dennis and realizes they have all been on an ebbing tide. Some strong language. 1947.

The Hidden Heart RC 38220
by Laura Kinsale
read by Laura Giannarelli
3 cassettes
When the botanist earl of Morrow dies, his daughter Tess must leave the jungle for the London society they left ten years before. Her attorney asks sea captain Gryphon Frost to protect her until she weds. Secretly, Gryphon outranks Tess. He is His Lordship Gryphon Meridon, thought to have died as a boy when his family was murdered by pirates. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. Prequel to *The Shadow and the Star (RC 34499)*. 1986.

Never Send Flowers RC 38374
by John Gardner
read by David Hartley-Margolin
2 cassettes
Four deaths in four days. An Italian, a Russian, an Englishman, and an American—all high-profile figures—have been killed. On the fifth day, Laura March, a British Security Service agent on vacation, is also killed. No one suspects a connection between her murder and the other four until a perfect white rose, tipped in red, appears at her funeral, just as at the others. James Bond finds the clue. Some violence and some descriptions of sex. 1993.

Venus Envy RC 38421
by Rita Mae Brown
read by Susan McInerney
2 cassettes
Mary Frazier Armstrong, a socially prominent and attractive young woman, runs an art gallery in Virginia. Frazier, as she is known, believing that she doesn't have long to live, writes to her family and friends, informing them that she is gay. After the letters are in the

mail, she learns that the diagnosis was a mistake—she will recover. Reactions to the letters send Frazier into a Mount Olympus fantasy. Strong language and explicit descriptions of sex. 1993.

The Lion in Egypt: Children of the Lion, Volume 4 RC 38492
by Peter Danielson
read by Ed Blake
3 cassettes
The Teller of Tales told the story of the brothers Shobai and Hadad and of Shobai's wife, Mereet, who gave him twin children. Now he speaks of Ben-Hadad and his attempt to return Joseph to Egypt; of Tuya, who loves Ben-Hadad; and of Akhilleus and his men, who fight the invaders of the Nile delta. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. Sequel to *Vengeance of the Lion (RC 38491)*. 1984.

Shadow on the Valley RC 38575
by Kirk Mitchell
read by Nick Sullivan
3 cassettes
In the midst of the Civil War, someone is killing the Dunkers, the German Baptist Brethren pacifists farming in the Shenandoah Valley. Union Surgeon Colonel Simon Wolfe frantically tries to head off these heinous acts, following members of General Philip Sheridan's army and even suspecting the general himself until the true murderer is discovered. Violence and some strong language. 1994.

Voyager RC 38591
by Diana Gabaldon
read by Barbara Caruso
8 cassettes
Claire Randall leaves Jamie Fraser in 1746, as the battle of Culloden begins, and returns through the stone circle to the twentieth century. But did Jamie survive the battle? Claire and her daughter Brianna now go to Inverness, where they learn that Jamie lived. Once more Claire takes a trip through the stone circle. Strong language, some violence, and some explicit descriptions of sex. Sequel to *Dragonfly in Amber (RC 36536)*. Bestseller 1994.

Better in the Dark RC 38609
by Chelsea Quinn Yarbro
read by David Palmer
4 cassettes
Lady Ranegonda's brother has disgraced himself by murdering his adulterous wife and has taken refuge in a monastery—leaving Ranegonda in the position of Gerefa at the Leosan Fortress. She has much to contend with, especially because the men are threatened by a woman ruler. To add to her troubles, Count Saint-Germanius has washed up on her shore, and she is unaware that he is a vampire. Some descriptions of sex and some violence. 1993.

The Wolf of Winter RC 38633
by Paula Volsky
read by Roy Avers
3 cassettes
The land of Rhazaulle is shaped by its bitterly cold climate and by the secret practice of necromancy. Prince Varis, younger brother of the ruling Ulor, must first destroy those in the line of succession before he can become Ulor. He resorts to the forbidden sorcery and does away with all except his niece Shalindra and her brother Cerrov. But can he destroy them without becoming a spifflicate? Violence and some descriptions of sex. 1993.

The Hammer and the Cross RC 38637
by Harry Harrison and John Holm
read by Bruce Huntey
3 cassettes
In A.D. 865, the many kings of an alternate-world England are at war with each other and the church of Rome. But soon the kings are engaged in conflict with invading Vikings. A young adopted boy named Shef finds himself at the center of the battles between the Norsemen who follow the gods of Asgarth, carrying the hammer of Thor, and those who hold with the way of the cross. Violence and some strong language. 1993.

Cry of the Hawk RC 38639
by Terry C. Johnston
read by Roy Avers
3 cassettes
In 1908, reclusive frontiersman Jonah Hook tells his and his silent wife Gritta's stories to a visiting journalist. Imprisoned during the Civil War, Confederate Hook's only chance for freedom is to become a galvanized Yankee fighting Indians. Gritta and the children run the Missouri farm until they are abducted, not by the expected Rebels but by an insane Mormon and his band. Strong language, violence, and some descriptions of sex. 1992.

The Ships of Earth: Homecoming, Volume 3 RC 38642
by Orson Scott Card
read by Carole Jordan Stewart
3 cassettes
As the Oversoul's chosen ones, Nafai and his extended family are exiled from the city of Basilica, and they trek across the desert to find an ancient spaceport and the ships that will take them to Earth. But there are unbelievers in the group, especially Nafai's older brother Elemak, whose anger and hatred could jeopardize the Oversoul's quest to find Earth. Sequel to *The Call of Earth (RC 38631)*. 1994.

Theirs Was the Kingdom RC 38645
by R.F. Delderfield
read by George Holmes
6 cassettes (Reissue)
Victorian England in the late 1880s. Adam Swann's haulage business, Swann-on-Wheels, expands throughout England. Alex is a professional soldier, George is busy in the company, and Deborah is an activist for working-class women. Changes occurring at Swann-on-Wheels reflect social transition sweeping England. Sequel to *God Is an Englishman (RC 37901)*. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1971.

The Fields RC 38654
by Conrad Richter
read by Gordon Gould
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Sequel to *The Trees (RC 38653)* and volume two of the Awakening Land trilogy. This story revolves around Sayward Luckett Wheeler, a sturdy, illiterate, and inventive young woman who bore Portius, her Yankee lawyer husband, eight children. Sayward teaches Portius how to survive in the West, as the Ohio wilderness was known in the nineteenth century, and her children how to build a farm in a clearing. 1940.

Food and Spirits: Stories RC 38660
by Beth (Degonwadonti) Brant
read by Suzanne Toren
1 cassette
Eight stories by a Mohawk writer about contemporary problems that affect many people but concern Native Amer-

icans in particular: family violence, alcoholism, and AIDS. The title story takes place in a Detroit bar, where an old man waits for his twin granddaughters to meet him. He dispenses homemade bread and goodwill, and in return his new friends make him welcome. Each story reflects on the healing that can be found in the spiritual world. Some strong language. 1991.

Shattered RC 38677
by Dean R. Koontz
read by Nick Sullivan
1 cassette
Shortly after Alex Doyle marries Courtney, he and Courtney's orphaned eleven-year-old brother Colin begin a car trip across the country to their new house in California. Colin immediately notices the rental van following them, but Alex isn't worried. He should be. The driver is Courtney's ex-boyfriend, who thinks there is a conspiracy against him and who is determined to get Courtney back—at any cost. Strong language and violence. 1973.

Cold Allies RC 38694
by Patricia Anthony
read by Christopher Hurt
2 cassettes
Global warming has caused the Arab nations to unite and advance on fuel-starved Europe, through Spain and Ukraine, in a desperate search for fertile land. Russia hopes to remain neutral. As the battles are waged, soldiers —some wounded, some not—are struck by the presence of a blue light, which takes them "into the light" and questions them about war, fear, death, and sorrow. Violence and strong language. 1993.

Robert Crews RC 38720
by Thomas Berger
read by Ed Blake
2 cassettes
Fortyish alcoholic Robert Crews becomes a modern-day Robinson Crusoe when he is the sole survivor of a small-plane crash. Living off a dwindling inheritance, Crews has never held a job and is woefully unprepared to rough it. Forced to improvise, he survives two months before encountering another human—a woman on the run after being shot at by her husband while camping. Some strong language. 1994.

The Russian Girl RC 38722
by Kingsley Amis
read by Patrick Horgan
2 cassettes
Professor Richard Vaisey, of the London Institute of Slavonic Studies, is approached by Anna Danilova, a Russian poet, for aid in getting her brother out of a Moscow prison. Vaisey is not impressed by Danilova's poetry and does not believe she will ever be famous back in Russia. But he does find himself enamored of her personality and beauty. There is just one problem, and it is a big one: Vaisey is married to a vengeful woman. Strong language. 1992.

Profane Friendship RC 38723
by Harold Brodkey
read by Robert Blumenfeld
3 cassettes
Testimony to the endurance of love narrated by Niles O'Hara, American son of an alcoholic writer living in Venice in the 1930s. At that time, Niles went to school with Giangiacomo Galliani, called Onni. Returning with his mother after the war, the now-adolescent Niles renews his friendship with Onni. To-

gether the two boys explore their developing sexuality and form a relationship that lasts a lifetime. Explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 1994.

Nobody's Fool RC 38730
by Richard Russo
read by L.J. Ganser
5 cassettes
Don Sullivan, known in North Bath, New York, as Sully, is about the unluckiest man in this unlucky town. At sixty, he is divorced, able to do only piecemeal work because of an injury, and living in a flat owned by his former eighth-grade teacher, Miss Beryl. The day before Thanksgiving 1980, Sully is offered a job by his old construction boss. It just might be the chance to regain his son's respect. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1993.

Invisible Life RC 38731
by E. Lynn Harris
read by Christopher Hurt
2 cassettes
Raymond Tyler, a black college senior, is dating his "hometown honey" when he is approached by bisexual Kelvin Ellis. Raymond's horror turns to surprise at his own attraction. When Raymond moves on to law school and a career in New York, he becomes more openly bisexual. As he falls in love twice, first with a man and then with a woman, he learns that Kelvin's fiancée has AIDS. Strong language and explicit descriptions of sex. 1991.

Isle of Woman: Geodyssey, Volume 1 RC 38737
by Piers Anthony
read by Madelyn Buzzard
3 cassettes
A man and woman who live at the dawn of history are reborn in subsequent eras. They witness humanity's odyssey from savagery to civilization. Moving through prehistoric Africa, Ice-Age Europe, early Mesopotamia, ancient China, nineteenth-century India, and finally twenty-first-century America, they come together to observe the final outcome of humankind's tenure on Earth. Some explicit descriptions of sex. 1993.

Losing Isaiah RC 38738
by Seth J. Margolis
read by Mitzi Friedlander
3 cassettes
Black two-year-old Isaiah has lived with his white adoptive parents and their daughter since he was a newborn. His birth mother Selma—who used drugs during the first trimester of pregnancy and again after Isaiah's birth—is straight now, has a steady job as a nanny, is learning to read, and wants Isaiah back. After hearing the particulars of the adoption, her lawyer thinks Selma has a chance. Some strong language and explicit descriptions of sex. 1993.

To Save the Sun RC 38739
by Ben Bova and A.J. Austin
read by Gary Tipton
3 cassettes
When the emperor of the Hundred Worlds learns that Earth's sun will explode, destroying all life on humankind's ancient home, he throws his support behind a young scientist determined to save Earth. But the emperor is dying. Will his heir, Crown Prince Javas, take up the cause over the objections of those who say that Earth has outlived its usefulness? Some strong language. 1992.

Attack of the *Seawolf* RC 38741
by Michael DiMercurio
read by Roy Avers
2 cassettes
China is engaged in a civil war, and all six United States CIA agents sent into China have disappeared. The USS *Tampa* off the coast of China has been detected and taken hostage. Admiral Donchez believes there is only one man who can command the SEALS and the rescue ship, the USS *Seawolf*: retired commander Michael Pacino. But Pacino happens to be the man who lost the USS *Devilfish* under the polar icecap. Strong language and some violence. 1993.

Officer Down RC 38744
by Michael Grant
read by Bruce Huntey
3 cassettes
When the United States steps up its pressure on Colombia to extradite drug dealers, a group of drug lords and terrorists, called Puño Blanco, decide to retaliate, targeting the New York City Police Department. An officer is killed when a bomb goes off at NYCPD headquarters. Then another is murdered execution style. Soon the FBI and the DEA get involved, but the motive for the attacks is a well-kept secret. Violence and strong language. 1993.

Divine Inspiration: A Homer Kelly Mystery RC 38748
by Jane Langton
read by Gordon Gould
2 cassettes
A master organ builder is voicing a new organ for an old church in Boston when he becomes aware of a small child crawling up the steps. The builder temporarily abandons his work to join Homer Kelly in a search for the infant's mother, an organist. Her disappearance adds to the growing number of puzzling events surrounding the departure of the former organist and a fire that destroyed the old organ. Strong language. 1993.

First Offense RC 38781
by Nancy Taylor Rosenberg
read by Ann Hodapp
2 cassettes
Probation officer Ann Carlisle has been raising her son, David, alone since her husband disappeared from his highway patrol car four years ago. Shortly after Ann begins dating district attorney Glen Hopkins, she is shot outside her office. Glen suspects the parolee who rescues her, but Ann is becoming convinced that her husband is stalking her. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

Merry Men RC 38797
by Carolyn Chute
read by Carole Jordan Stewart
6 cassettes
The author of *The Beans of Egypt, Maine (RC 22358)* and *Letourneau's Used Auto Parts (RC 29700)* returns to Egypt for another saga, this time about a modern-day Robin Hood, Lloyd Barrington. Lloyd is a motherless child whose creative abilities are fostered by an attentive uncle. After college Lloyd comes back to his small northeastern mill town, marries well, and does what he can to take from the rich to give to the poor. Strong language. 1994.

†Forrest Gump RC 38876
by Winston Groom
read by Jamie Horton
2 cassettes
With an I.Q. of 70, Forrest Gump ad-

mits he's slow, but that doesn't stop him from leading a life full of bewildering adventures. Gump tells of becoming a football star, a war hero, an astronaut, a professional "rassler," an actor, a successful businessman, and a politician. An idiot savant, Gump is also a champion chess player and a musician. Strong language, some violence, and some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1986.

†The Fist of God RC 38887
by Frederick Forsyth
read by Bob Askey
4 cassettes
Saddam Hussein has invaded Kuwait. Major Mike Martin, British Special Air Service, is sent to Kuwait City to build a resistance movement. When the Allies learn about Jericho, a mole in Saddam's government, they instruct Martin to contact the agent. The Allies believe the information Jericho provides is false, and they recall Martin—only to learn that Saddam really does have a secret weapon. Strong language and violence. Bestseller 1994.

†Stones from the River RC 38888
by Ursula Hegi
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
4 cassettes
Trudi, born in Germany in 1915, is a *Zwerg* or dwarf. After her troubled mother dies, Trudi lives with her beloved father, helping in his library and learning the stories of the townspeople. She has friends, but her role in the town is shaped by the hidden or blatant disgust she generates in some. As a child Trudi strikes back, but later, working against Hitler's regime, Trudi learns to belong: to initiate, build, and be. Some violence. Bestseller 1994.

†Dark Mirror RC 38892
by Diane Duane
read by Bob Askey
2 cassettes
When the *Enterprise* is drawn into a parallel universe, Captain Picard and his colleagues come face to face with an alternate *Enterprise* manned by persons identical to themselves. This universe turns out to be a place where humanity has gone awry, with rule by terror and brutality. And the evil counterparts of Picard and his crew are bent on capturing the *Enterprise* for sinister purposes. A Star Trek: The Next Generation novel. Bestseller 1993.

†Prince Charming RC 38897
by Julie Garwood
read by Jill Ferris
3 cassettes
Lady Taylor has been raised to be a lady, so she maintains her dignity when her fiancé marries her cousin. Infatuated with stories about the American West, she readily agrees to her grandmother's suggestion that she marry American Lucas Ross and return with him to claim a legacy awaiting her in America. But she does not expect the trouble that lies ahead. Explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. Bestseller 1994.

†Tiger Prince RC 38898
by Sandra Brown
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Caren Blakemore has made a big mistake at work, and her boss has ordered her to take a vacation. After all, she is recently divorced and is trying to support herself and send her sister to a private school. When she meets Derek Allen, a whirlwind romance follows.

But then her common sense returns, and she heads home—only to discover that her life is about to undergo a dramatic change. Explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. Bestseller 1985.

†Mistress RC 38899
by Amanda Quick
read by Yvonne Fair Tessler
3 cassettes
Iphiginia Bright has given up her school for girls, toured Europe to study classical antiquities, and moved to London, where she is parading as the mistress of Marcus Cloud, Earl of Masters—who she believes is dead. She is using this disguise to uncover a blackmailer. But Marcus is not dead, and when he arrives in London, Iphiginia causes him to break many of the strict rules he has been living by. Some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1994.

An Island Apart RC 38941
by Lillian Beckwith
read by Janis Gray
2 cassettes
Kirsty MacLennan, thirty-eight, has spent most of her life as a cook at Islay, a guesthouse in Scotland. But she is restless and thus accepts the offer of marriage from Ruari Beag MacDonald, a man she has known for eight days. She returns with him to Westisle, in the Hebrides, where he lives with his brother, Ruari Mhor. As the years go by, they share many happy moments together until they are disturbed by a secret from the past. 1992.

Secrets of Paris RC 39022
by Luanne Rice
read by Anne Hancock
2 cassettes
Shortly after her father shocks Lydie and her mother by shooting himself and a woman he secretly loved, Lydie's husband Michael gets a year-long assignment in Paris. Upset when Lydie is unable to enjoy the romance of the city, Michael falls in love with a colleague. Meanwhile, Lydie has finally made friends: an American married to a Frenchman and their Filipino housekeeper. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1991.

The Girls RC 39076
by Elaine Kagan
read by Yvonne Fair Tessler
3 cassettes
The six girls are part of a group of high school friends who knew each others' families, dated some of the same guys, and in middle age are still best friends. But on a Tuesday morning, everything changes when Jessie comes tearing into Ellen's home closely followed by Pete. A few minutes later, Pete is dead. As the women prepare for the funeral, they recount the successes, losses, and betrayals that have brought them to this day. Strong language. 1994.

Killobyte RC 39119
by Piers Anthony
read by John Polk
3 cassettes
Walter Toland is a paraplegic ex-policeman and Baal Curran is a diabetic high school senior. Each has found a way to escape his physical handicap in the world of virtual reality computer games. Killobyte allows them to be anyone they want to be. But when a computer hacker enters their private world, they suddenly become involved in each other's game and are playing for their lives. Some strong language and some violence. 1993.

Beneath the Sky RC 39120
by Paul Block
read by Roy Avers
3 cassettes
As Victoria is crowned queen, a disinherited branch of the powerful Ballinger family is determined to rebuild their fortune as merchants. Young Ross Ballinger is sent to China, where he begins a bittersweet love affair. Back in England, Connor Maginnis works as a fancy man, biding his time until he can seek revenge on the Ballingers for what they did to his father. Strong language, some violence, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1993.

Suspicion of Innocence RC 39125
by Barbara Parker
read by Madelyn Buzzard
3 cassettes
Gail Connor is an attorney in Miami, Florida. The body of her sister, Renee, has just been found in the Florida Everglades. At first Gail believes Renee finally succeeded in committing suicide, but the police have other ideas. Before long Gail finds herself a prime suspect in the murder of her sister. As Gail looks for potential killers, she is forced to confront her own past. Strong language, some violence, and some descriptions of sex. 1994.

Mutagenesis RC 39128
by Helen Collins
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
It is the twenty-seventh century, and Dr. Mattine Manan, a microbiologist, has traveled to planet Anu, once settled by humans from Earth, to study its grasses. She is not welcome in Anu's society, controlled by men, but she disembarks. She teams up with a talented artist and a speechless primate to uncover a project that will change the nature of the human race. Some strong language and some violence. 1992.

An Ancient Hope RC 39158
by Caroline Stickland
read by Yolande Bavan
2 cassettes
Theodosia Farnaby grew up next door to her cousins Charles and Ralph Carnow, and there has always been a closeness among them. Then ten years ago, in 1840, Charles took his inheritance, stole some money, and left home. Since then, Ralph has rebuilt the family business and come to care deeply for Theo. But now Charles has returned home, and he plans to reestablish his position as the oldest son—and take Theo away from Ralph. 1993.

War Clouds: The White Indian, Book 25 RC 39184
by Donald Clayton Porter
read by Roy Avers
2 cassettes
Following the tragic news of her husband's death in *Father and Son (RC 37717)*, Renna returns to America with her children and stays with Beth and Renno. Beth's shipping company is complying with the embargo against England until Adan makes an illegal trip to the Bahamas. Trying to stop him, Little Hawk is kidnapped by the British. Meanwhile, Renna's husband is actually alive in France. Violence and some strong language. 1994.

Track of the Bear: Spanish Bit Saga, Volume 22 RC 39187
by Don Coldsmith
read by David Palmer
1 cassette
It has been more than ten summers

since Singing Wolf and Rain established their own lodge. Things are good until Corn Woman is killed by a grizzly or "real bear." This shocks Wolf and his tribe, as a covenant of peace has always existed between bears and the People. Wolf's father, Walks in the Sun, warns that the People must not retaliate, but Wolf knows in his heart that either he or the bear will die. Violence. 1994.

Comrade Charlie RC 39188
by Brian Freemantle
read by Fred Major
3 cassettes
Charlie Muffin's boss, Richard Harkness, doesn't like Charlie very much and has assigned him to a menial desk job at British Intelligence. Ever diligent in his work, regardless of the assignment, Charlie uncovers a Soviet plot to steal the American Star Wars plan. He also discovers a scheme to eliminate him by using his old girlfriend Natalia Fedova as bait. But Charlie has a few tricks up his own sleeve. Strong language. 1989.

Copperhead: The Starbuck Chronicles, Volume 2 RC 39191
by Bernard Cornwell
read by Roy Avers
3 cassettes
Outside Richmond, 1862. The Civil War rages and Nate Starbuck is well entrenched in the rebel cause, even though he is the son of a Boston preacher. In this sequel to *Rebel (RC 37711)*, Nate finds himself accused of being a Yankee spy. He must infiltrate Union troops to find the real spy, free himself from capture, and save his family. Strong language and violence. 1994.

Promise Me Anything RC 39193
by Meryl Sawyer
read by Mitzi Friedlander
3 cassettes
When his uncle dies, Alex Savich inherits the failing British diamond company that his uncle sunk all of their savings into. As Alex tries to save the firm by sneaking diamonds smuggled by his uncle onto the market, he fights a wild attraction to jewelry designer Brett Lamont. Just as their relationship begins, Brett's missing lover returns and Alex is caught up in Russian political intrigue. Strong language and explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

Dead Set RC 39216
by Jennie Melville
read by Terry Hayes Sales
2 cassettes
Though promoted out of investigative work, policewoman Charmian Daniels agrees to help Lady Mary Erskine find the missing husband of relative Una Gray. Ted Gray's disappearance, after finding the body of a murdered girl, has raised some suspicions. Meanwhile, children at the school where Una teaches are having odd visions. Una begins to suspect that Ted may be guilty of a crime, and Charmian thinks the opposite. 1992.

The Gift RC 39219
by Kirk Douglas
read by Bruce Huntey
2 cassettes
When she was nineteen, Patricia Dennison's grandfather died and Patricia inherited the Stoneham billions. At about the same time, Miguel Cardiga, bullfighter, was seriously wounded and lost a leg. Now several years later, fate brings them together when Patricia pur-

chases two horses from Miguel's father and Miguel is sent to America to train Patricia in dressage. Violence, strong language, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1992.

Pursuit of Bliss: 1913 to 1919 RC 39225
by Betty Palmer Nelson
read by Terry Hayes Sales
2 cassettes
Annie Bee Cutterfield and Ral Henderson grew up together in rural Tennessee. In 1913, Annie Bee, sixteen, marries Ral, now a farmer and skilled horse trainer, and becomes part of the Henderson household. Annie Bee and Ral have two children and eventually their own home. But then they move to the city, and life changes for both of them as Annie Bee becomes a nurse and World War I approaches. Sequel to *Weight of Light (RC 36772)*. 1992.

Masquerade RC 39227
by William X. Kienzle
read by Roy Avers
2 cassettes
When Father Koesler is invited to help with a seminar on religion in murder mysteries, he is surprised to learn that the guest speaker is televangelist Klaus Krieg, whose publishing house produces racy novels. The other speakers—two ministers, a nun, and a rabbi—write mysteries with sleuths who correspond to themselves. They dislike Krieg, who wants them all to sign with him. When one of them is murdered, Koesler seeks a hidden motive. 1990.

I Am Snowing: The Confessions of a Woman of Prague RC 39247
by Pavel Kohout
read by Suzanne Toren
2 cassettes
Petra Márová is a Czech woman just entering middle age. Her private world strangely reflects the unsettled climate of the early 1990s in Prague, now free of communist rule but not quite free of suspicions. Petra is troubled by questions about the political pasts of her lovers, perhaps mirroring her confusion about just how much control one should expect past tragedies to have on the future. Some strong language. 1992.

First Love, Last Love RC 39249
by Judith Saxton
read by Barbara Caruso
3 cassettes
The lives of three English families entwine in this story set in the 1930s and 1940s. Georgie, Lizzie, and Sybil Cream grow up in a fisherman's cottage on the North Sea. In summer they have the company of the wealthy Wintertons and their children, Ralph and Christina. Fenn Kitzmann grows up in Manchester but flees to America to escape an abusive family. When World War II starts, Fenn returns to England as a pilot and meets Sybil. 1992.

Voyage of the *Devilfish* RC 39256
by Michael DiMercurio
read by Ed Blake
3 cassettes
Russian admiral Alexi Novskoyy wants to resume the cold war and has taken his submarine to the polar ice cap. Michael Pacino, commander of the USS *Devilfish*, has been deployed to the Arctic Circle to track the Russian ship. Pacino now has a chance to avenge his father's death at the hands of Novskoyy. Underwater battles ensue, and both ships are lost. But Novskoyy ends up on the surface at the mercy of Pacino. Strong language and some violence. 1992.

Murder Must Advertise RC 39257
by Dorothy L. Sayers
read by Tom Martin
3 cassettes
It has been only a few days since copywriter Victor Dean fell down the stairs at Pym's Publicity and died. Mr. Pym, his suspicions aroused by a letter Dean had written, hires Mr. Death Bredon as a replacement and installs him in Dean's old office. But Bredon is really Lord Peter Wimsey, investigating what appears to be no accident. Soon Lord Peter is dealing with cocaine, blackmail, and more murders. 1933.

That Year of Our War RC 39268
by Gloria Goldreich
read by Mikel Lambert
3 cassettes
Following her mother's death from leukemia on D-Day, Sharon Grossberg lives with relatives while her doctor father serves overseas. She feels guilty enjoying summer with her young, wealthy aunt and uncle and her new friends in Woodstock. And each piece of news from the battlefields brings a mixture of sadness and guilty relief when her father is not among those killed. Some descriptions of sex. For high school and older readers. 1994.

Night Relics RC 39275
by James P. Blaylock
read by Lynn Schrichte
3 cassettes
Since separating from his wife, Amanda, Peter has been living in a rustic cabin in Trabuco Canyon. The day before Amanda and their son David are to leave for a Hawaii vacation, they visit Peter. After an argument, Peter leaves the house, and Amanda and David are gone when he returns. A week later, Peter discovers they never went to Hawaii. In fact, he believes they are still in the cabin—in another dimension. Some strong language and some violence. 1994.

The Serpent's Gift RC 39295
by Helen Elaine Lee
read by Marcia Churchill
3 cassettes
After her abusive father, a window washer, falls to his death, Vesta Smalls, fearing her own misstep, settles for being a bystander and caretaker. She and her mother, who bears a serpentine scar, and her baby brother, LaRue, move in with compassionate Ruby Staples and her family. LaRue grows up to spin tall tales featuring Miss Snake. The two black families merge to face together life, death, and renewal during the next six decades. Some descriptions of sex. 1994.

Last Call RC 39302
by Tim Powers
read by Christopher Walker
4 cassettes
Las Vegas's Flamingo Hotel, built by Bugsy Siegel in 1946, appears to be the manifestation of the Tower in a Tarot card deck. When it was built, Siegel was the reigning Fisher King. His power was assumed by Georges Leon, who is now attempting to assure his own immortality by assuming the spirit of his son Scott. Now Scott, an alcoholic poker player, finds himself in mortal combat with his father. Violence, strong language, and descriptions of sex. 1992.

North Star Conspiracy RC 39313
by Miriam Grace Monfredo
read by Laura Giannarelli
3 cassettes
Seneca Falls, New York, 1854. Six years

have gone by for librarian Glynis Tryon since *Seneca Falls Inheritance (RC 39265)*. Glynis is still active in the women's rights movement with Elizabeth Cady Stanton, and she has become involved with the new town theater and the Underground Railroad. Perhaps because of these efforts, she turns down Cullen Stuart's marriage proposal. And by staying in town she is able to help investigate several slave murders. 1993.

Too Many Clients: A Nero Wolfe Mystery RC 39320
by Rex Stout
read by Jim Zeiger
1 cassette (Reissue)
When a businessman is murdered, Nero Wolfe is called into the case by three different people. First he must unravel the motives behind his clients' requests. 1960.

Christy RC 39327
by Catherine Marshall
read by Jill Ferris
4 cassettes (Reissue)
Based on the life of the author's mother, this is the tale of nineteen-year-old Christy Huddleston's first year teaching in an Appalachian mountain cove. With the help of Alice Henderson, the Quaker who founded the Cutter Gap mission school, Christy finds her point of reference in God. She makes friends among the hardscrabble Cutter Gap "clan," sees some of them succumb to typhoid fever, and inspires love in two admirable men. 1967.

For All Eternity RC 39330
by Linda Lael Miller
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
In *Forever and the Night (RC 39855)*, when her twin brother, Aidan, was turned into a vampire by the evil Lisette, Maeve Tremayne also adopted that life. Now Aidan has chosen mortal life, and Maeve has been appointed by the species to deal with Lisette. But, much to her surprise, Maeve is falling in love with a human she met time traveling: Civil War doctor Calder Holbrook. Explicit descriptions of sex and some violence. Bestseller 1994.

China Silk RC 39339
by Anne Worboys
read by Yvonne Fair Tessler
4 cassettes
In the 1920s, Hellen North meets dashing Oliver Marathon, who is visiting England from Hong Kong. They fall in love despite class differences: Hellen's father is a farmer while Oliver's uncle is governor in colonial Hong Kong. Traveling alone by ship to marry Oliver, Hellen disembarks into a nightmarish adventure after learning she is not wanted by his family. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1991.

Too Long a Stranger RC 39347
by Janette Oke
read by Jill Ferris
2 cassettes
When Sarah Perry's husband dies, she is left alone with a baby to rear. She also has to make decisions about her husband's freight-hauling business. Her kind neighbor, Mrs. Galvan, offers to help by keeping Rebecca, and with faith and long hours Sarah puts her life back together and the business on firm ground. But her decision to send Rebecca to a boarding school brings unexpected problems when Rebecca returns home after an absence of many years. 1994.

The M.D.: A Horror Story RC 39355
by Thomas M. Disch
read by Chuck Benson
3 cassettes
Young Billy Michaels is visited by a supernatural being who directs him to a twisted stick that his half-brother Ned has formed to look like a caduceus, or physician's symbol. Billy can create both harm and good with the caduceus. His first attempts accidentally render Ned paralyzed and wreak havoc upon other family members. Grown, Dr. William Michaels is even more dangerous in the time of a monstrous plague. Strong language and violence. 1991.

Dragon Wing: The Death Gate Cycle, Volume 1 RC 39361
by Margaret Weis and Tracy Hickman
read by John Horton
3 cassettes
Ages ago the Sartan, powerful wizards, split the world into four parts—sky, fire, earth, and water—and imprisoned the Patryn in the Labyrinth, from which escape would take centuries. Should they succeed, great magical powers would be theirs. In Arianus, the Realm of Sky, Haplo tries to stir up trouble, and King Stephen wants the prince killed. Prequel to *Elven Star (RC 39362)*. Violence. 1990.

The Burglar RC 39372
by David Goodis
read by L.J. Ganser
1 cassette
Nathaniel Harbin makes a career of burglary. He usually works with companions, two males and one female. But shortly after this foursome robs a well-cased mansion, they have a difference of opinion. Nat decides to get out, and, against his better judgment, he also permits himself to be seduced by a woman he meets in a restaurant. Soon life gets complicated, and Nat finds himself on the run. Violence and strong language. 1953.

Lucrezia Floriani RC 39375
by George Sand
read by Suzanne Toren
2 cassettes
Written during the period when composer Chopin was living with Sand, this novel has often been considered a portrayal of that relationship. Lucrezia, a well-known actress and author, is also the single mother of four. When she is thirty, Lucrezia meets the frail, twenty-four-year-old Prince Karol de Roswald, who immediately falls in love with her and becomes insanely jealous. Includes preface and foreward by Sand and a chronology of her life. 1846.

A Way in the World RC 39376
by V.S. Naipaul
read by John Horton
2 cassettes
A novel based on the idea that the characteristics and memories of thousands of ancestors churn within each person, with the result that "sometimes we can be strangers to ourselves." In autobiographical episodes mixed with meditation and invention, the author, a Trinidadian of Indian descent, narrates a series of historical events that formed his society and his identity within it. 1994.

Night RC 39382
by Bilgé Karasu
read by Ed Blake
1 cassette
Winner of the Pegasus Prize for Literature, this experimental novel by a Turkish author compares the agony of writ-

ing to the perils of the night and the politics of the day. One-hundred-ten episodes tell the story of the unnamed narrator; N, once his classmate and now head of an agency that persecutes him; and two of N's agents—Sevinç, who becomes the narrator's lover, and Sevim, also a former classmate, who was once married to N. 1985.

Cover Story RC 39384
by Robert Cullen
read by Ed Blake
2 cassettes
American journalist Colin Burke is covering Middle East peace talks in Moscow. An Israeli agent tips him off about Syrian attempts to recruit Russian nuclear scientists. Then an Arab woman offers additional information, Burke gets an interview with a physicist, and all he needs is a few pictures to keep the home office happy. When both of his sources are killed, Burke knows his story is hot. Strong language and descriptions of sex. 1994.

Igniting the Reaches RC 39385
by David Drake
read by Christopher Hurt
2 cassettes
Stephen Gregg, scion of a Venusian merchant clan, and Piet Ricimer, a deep-space adventurer, set out seeking glory and fortune on a voyage to acquire priceless computer chips from remote worlds. Along the way they find adventure and danger in the form of rival ships, insect-like humanoids, the tyrannical Earth Federation intent on acquiring the computer chips for itself, and the presence of a mirror universe. 1994.

Maigret's Christmas: Nine Stories RC 39388
by Georges Simenon
read by Gordon Gould
3 cassettes
In the title story, Christmas morning for Chief Superintendent Maigret and his long-suffering wife, Madame Maigret, is interrupted by two neighboring women. The young bedridden niece of one of the women has announced that Father Christmas came to her room the night before. And, indeed, she has a fancy new doll to prove it. In the collection's final entry, the retired Maigrets are mistaken for servants by a demanding dowager. 1976.

The War of the Saints RC 39389
by Jorge Amado
read by Ed Blake
3 cassettes
A statue of Saint Barbara of the Thunder is removed from the altar of a provincial church and shipped downriver to appear in an exhibition of religious art at a museum in a state capital of Brazil. The lady immediately comes to life as she disembarks. Over the next forty-eight hours, while concerned church officials and the police pursue the matter, the restraints that Saint Barbara removes will change three couples forever. 1993.

The Lilies of the Field RC 39392
by William E. Barrett
read by Gordon Gould
1 cassette (Reissue)
Homer Smith is a strong young African American who was brought up as a Baptist in South Carolina. Recently discharged from the army, Homer is taking one day at a time driving eastward cross-country and stopping to do odd

jobs. When he encounters four German refugee nuns erecting a fence so that they can farm a small plot of land, Homer becomes an answer to their prayers, especially when he stays around to build a church on the ruins of a burned-out farmhouse. 1962.

Inches RC 39397
by William Marshall
read by Graeme Malcolm
2 cassettes
Detective Chief Inspector Harry Feiffer of the Hong Kong Police investigates the poisoning of nine employees of an international bank. Inspectors Auden and Spencer ponder why clients of the Institute of Yu, a New Age outfit, are jumping out of top-floor windows. O'Yee, undercover, is assigned to write "eternity" on sidewalks. The Yellowthread Street precinct team looks for connections and solutions. Strong language and some violence. 1994.

Northbridge Rectory RC 39398
by Angela Thirkell
read by Barbara Caruso
2 cassettes
Verena Villars and her husband, an ex-schoolmaster and now the rector, are new residents in Northbridge during World War II. Like so many other families, they have opened their home to persons who are fleeing the big cities. As the townspeople and evacuees strive to live together, the rectory becomes a center for the social life of the village. 1941.

Life Blood RC 39399
by Caroline Llewellyn
read by Patricia Kilgarriff
3 cassettes
Canadian illustrator Jo Treleven is still reeling from her husband's possible suicide, when she learns she has inherited her English grandmother's cottage. She also discovers that her grandmother once wrote a mystery novel based on a murder in the family. When Jo moves to the cottage with her infant son, she finds that all copies of the novel have vanished, and her newly discovered relatives don't want to discuss it. 1993.

Death of a Travelling Man RC 39407
by M.C. Beaton
read by John Horton
1 cassette
Hamish Macbeth is now the police sergeant in the placid little town of Lochdubh. Although he earns more money, he would have preferred not being promoted: then he would not have to contend with his pushy new constable, Willie Lamont. But Macbeth soon has something to take his mind off Lamont. Travelers Sean Gourlay and his girlfriend are camping out in town, and Macbeth has an uneasy feeling about some of Gourlay's activities. 1993.

Eliza's Daughter RC 39412
by Joan Aiken
read by Carmella Ross
2 cassettes
In this "sequel" to Jane Austen's *Sense and Sensibility (RC 22282)*, Aiken recounts the life of Liza FitzWilliam, an orphan who grows up in Byblow Bottom—the home of many illegitimate children of the gentry. Her days are spent with Dr. Moultrie, who teaches her to read and to understand the rudiments of Greek, Latin, and the classics. This knowledge stands her in good stead when she later becomes part of the Dashwood sisters' household. 1994.

Fireballs RC 39413
by Dan Binchy
read by Graeme Malcolm
2 cassettes
Sequel to *The Last Resort (RC 36542)*. Mick Flannery counts on being reelected to the European Parliament. Aware that his political star is on the wane, Flannery dreams up a project to bring prosperity to the village of Brulagh. He needs, however, a suitable financial backer, and any number of people share an interest in raising money for the scheme. Some strong language. 1993.

The Beekeeper's Apprentice; or, On the Segregation of the Queen RC 39416
by Laurie R. King
read by Carmella Ross
3 cassettes
Mary Russell, an orphan living with her aunt, is only fifteen when she meets a semiretired beekeeper named Sherlock Holmes. Fascinated by Mary's quick mind, the great detective becomes her mentor. Mary's apprenticeship, limited at first to minor investigations, becomes increasingly significant until one day the duo find themselves the target of a deadly plot. Some strong language. 1994.

Thunder RC 39417
by James Grady
read by Nick Sullivan
2 cassettes
CIA agent John Lang relaxes when he is appointed U.S. Senate liaison. Then the bombing of a New York skyscraper and the death of his partner, Frank Mathews, by a supposedly stray bullet raise too many unanswered questions for Lang to ignore. But when he begins to explore Frank's connections, he runs into interference from the Senate Intelligence Committee. Descriptions of sex and some strong language. 1994.

Debtors' Planet RC 39420
by W.R. Thompson
read by Gary Tipton
2 cassettes
When the unscrupulous Ferengi contract to bring advanced technology to a primitive world, it can only mean trouble. Captain Jean-Luc Picard and the crew of the starship *Enterprise* are sent to investigate. Aboard the Enterprise is a twentieth-century businessman retrieved from cryonic suspension, who may be able to apply his own ruthless talents to thwart the plans of the Ferengi. A Star Trek, the Next Generation novel. 1994.

The Best Defense RC 39424
by Kate Wilhelm
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
Oregon store-front lawyer Barbara Holloway becomes involved in the "baby killer" case because the suspect's sister doesn't trust the public defender. Paula Kennerman and her daughter were staying in a battered-wives' shelter when the child and the building went up in flames. When it is learned that the child was killed beforehand, a neighbor of the shelter condemns Paula in his newspaper. Sequel to *Death Qualified (RC 34317)*. Strong language. 1994.

The Simeon Chamber RC 39426
by Steve Martini
read by Ray Foushee
2 cassettes
Attorney Sam Bogardus's irritation over his mother's "referring" another client to him turns to interest when he hears Jennifer Davies's story. Her father had been one of a two-man crew that disap-

peared from a naval blimp. Years later, Jennifer has received pages from a pirate's journal with a note implying that her father is still alive. Sam's investigation quickly turns ugly: he is attacked and his partner murdered. Strong language and violence. 1988.

Eyes of a Child RC 39470
by Richard North Patterson
read by Gary Telles
4 cassettes
In the sequel to *Degree of Guilt (RC 35883)*, attorney Terri Peralta leaves her emotionally abusive husband, Ricardo Arias, and begins a relationship with her boss, Chris Paget. Unemployed Arias demands custody of daughter Elena and accuses Paget's son Carlo of sexually abusing Elena. When Arias is found dead, police suspect Paget, whose campaign for the Senate would have been ruined by Arias. Some violence and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

Kiss the Girls RC 39471
by James Patterson
read by Chuck Benson
2 cassettes
When Washington, D.C., detective Alex Cross of *Along Came a Spider (RC 35894)* learns his niece Naomi is missing, he heads for North Carolina. Naomi is one of a group of women thought kidnapped by a man calling himself Casanova. When one woman escapes and describes a secret house in the woods, the FBI discovers links between Casanova and the Gentleman Caller serial killer in California. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1995.

The Juror RC 39472
by George Dawes Green
read by Catherine Byers
2 cassettes
Single mother and struggling artist Annie Laird is selected for jury duty on a mob murder case. From the moment she is chosen, Annie is tracked by a man called the Teacher. After posing as an art dealer and purchasing Annie's sculptures, the Teacher reveals that the safety of Annie's adolescent son depends on her securing an acquital for the mobster. Strong language, violence, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1995.

Fire Queen RC 39484
by Kathleen Morgan
read by Grainne Cassidy
3 cassettes
Deidra Rothgarn did not want to hurt her father, but she could not marry Basil D'Mondeville. So she fled from Rothgarn Castle and became a member of Hawkwind's mercenary band. Her attraction to Hawkwind awakens in her the age-old magical powers of fire and healing—binding Deidra and Hawkwind together. But what will Deidra do when Hawkwind is forced to honor an old oath and attack Rothgarn Castle? Some violence and explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

Diamond in the Rough RC 39486
by Millie Criswell
read by Ilona Dulaski
2 cassettes
Brock Peters has no desire to put down roots, nor does he like to be burdened with baggage. But the day he arrives in Absolution, in the Colorado Territory, he ends up with unwanted baggage: an unwed pregnant woman and a drunk

with a broken leg. He delivers them both to Prudence Daniels's ranch for unwed mothers and ends up staying on to work as foreman. Soon Brock finds himself with roots and even more baggage. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1994.

Noblesse Oblige RC 39489
by Helen Argers
read by Mikel Lambert
2 cassettes
Caroline Richmond has only one chance at a London season, and it appears she will be successful. Caroline has captured the attention of one of London's most eligible bachelors, Branville, the marquis of Kimston. But as the season draws to an end, the marquis has not offered for her, and Caroline returns home in disgrace. Then her father arranges for her to marry the marquis's father. 1994.

The Lottery Winner: Alvirah and Willy Stories RC 39494
by Mary Higgins Clark
read by Roy Avers
2 cassettes
Cleaning lady Alvirah Meehan won the lottery and became an amateur sleuth and a writer for the *New York Globe.* Alvirah, who first appeared in *Weep No More, My Lady (RC 26004)*, and her husband, Willy, take on new cases in this collection of short mysteries. Alvirah clamps on her recorder disguised as a lapel pin and solves them all, including a murder of which her beloved nephew is accused. Bestseller 1994.

***The Pride of Chanur*: The Chanur Saga, Volume 1 RC 39495**
by C.J. Cherryh
read by J.P. Linton
2 cassettes
Pyanfar Chanur, captain of the hani ship, the *Pride of Chanur*, has docked at Meetpoint Station. There several species come to trade and take on provisions. It is also there that the Pride takes on unexpected cargo—Tully, a human. His jumping aboard the hani ship brings treachery and trouble to the *Pride* and its crew. Prequel to *Chanur's Venture (RC 39496)*. Some violence and some strong language. 1982.

Without a Hero: Stories RC 39504
by T. Coraghessan Boyle
read by Christopher Hurt
2 cassettes
Fifteen mostly satirical tales take on character issues. In the title story, for example, a recently divorced man introduces a Russian woman to the good life but has no use for her when she proves too fond of consumerism. In "The Fog Man" a young boy gets his first lessons in racism, suburban mentality, parental values, and the price of running with the crowd. And a veterinary student becomes an animal rights advocate in "Carnal Knowledge." 1994.

In the Dark RC 39505
by Carol Brennan
read by Suzanne Toren
2 cassettes
Young Emily awakens to gunshots and a hoarse, androgenous voice calling her name. She escapes but her parents are murdered. Years later actress Emily hears the same voice in a movie theater. Her lover, Mike, begins to investigate the long-shut case and is killed in the

process. Knowing they're putting their lives in jeopardy, Emily and Mike's friend continue to search for the killer. Strong language, explicit descriptions of sex, and some violence. 1994.

Murder on the Orient Express
RC 39507
by Agatha Christie
read by Tom Martin
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Hercule Poirot has been called back to England and is traveling home by way of the Orient Express. While the train is stranded by a snowstorm, a murder occurs. Investigation shows that the dead man, Mr. Ratchett, was traveling under a false name and was the person responsible for a terrible kidnapping that had taken place several years earlier. Poirot's first interviews with all passengers yield nothing—then he questions them again. 1934.

Tully RC 39512
by Paullina Simons
read by Catherine Byers
4 cassettes
In high school in Topeka, Kansas, Tully Makker has a bad reputation despite the rigid discipline of her abusive mother. The one positive influence in Tully's life is her best friend Jennifer—until Jennifer commits suicide. Although Tully marries and has a child, she continues to be devastated by the loss. Then she falls in love with the boyfriend who broke Jennifer's heart. Strong language, explicit descriptions of sex, and some violence. 1994.

Wolf by the Ears RC 39516
by Ann Rinaldi
read by Gail Nelson
2 cassettes
Young Harriet Hemings, a slave at Monticello, has a chance for freedom, but she's afraid to leave the plantation she grew up on. Though her mother, Sally Hemings, is pushing her, Harriet cannot bear to think of leaving her family and friends. Then there's Master Thomas Jefferson, Harriet's gentle benefactor, who some believe may be her father. For junior and senior high and older readers. 1991.

The Prince of West End Avenue
RC 39517
by Alan Isler
read by Robert Blumenfeld
2 cassettes
Otto Korner, eighty-three, is a resident of the Emma Lazarus retirement home on West End Avenue in Manhattan. A new physical therapist reminds Otto of his first love, Magda Damrosch, whom he met in Zurich in 1917. Against the backdrop of the home's play rehearsals, Otto recalls his life, Magda, his desire to be a poet, the Holocaust, and his work in America. He becomes distressed when an important letter is stolen. Some descriptions of sex. 1994.

Agatha Raisin and the Vicious Vet
RC 39537
by M.C. Beaton
read by Carmella Ross
1 cassette
In the sequel to *Agatha Raisin and the Quiche of Death (RC 38163)*, retired businesswoman Agatha has just returned from a vacation where she had hoped to rendezvous with her neighbor James Lacey. Her disappointment over learning that he had avoided her is tempered by the flirtations of new village veterinarian, Paul Bladen. But Bladen is quickly killed, bringing Agatha and

James together to sleuth. Some strong language and some violence. 1993.

Roadwalkers RC 39546
by Shirley Ann Grau
read by Catherine Byers
2 cassettes
During the Great Depression, the children of a black family join groups of homeless wanderers. The siblings fall away, one by one, until there are only Joseph and the youngest, called Baby. When Joseph's vandalism brings a posse after him, Baby is captured, sent to an orphanage, and named Mary Woods. The second half of Mary's story and that of her daughter Nanda are told from Nanda's perspective. Strong language and some violence. 1994.

Twelve Red Herrings RC 39549
by Jeffrey Archer
read by John Horton
2 cassettes
Collection of twelve stories that feature false clues and twisted endings, and with a red herring—a diversion of some kind—hidden in each tale. One of the stories has an option of four endings! In another story, an artist is two-timed by a handsome man but triumphs in the end. And in one tale, a Friday-afternoon drive to the country turns into a ride of terror. 1994.

Mutant Message Down Under RC 39560
by Marlo Morgan
read by Judith Ann Gantly
1 cassette
A middle-aged Kansas practitioner of alternative medicine, Morgan accepts a five-year assignment in Australia. Her work with young urban-dwelling Aborigines earns her an invitation to visit a bush tribe. Much to Morgan's surprise, she is expected to embark upon a four-month walkabout with the tribe. Dismayed by the destruction of the earth, the tribe plans to die out but wants Morgan to tell other "mutants" about the tribe's peaceful methods. Bestseller 1994.

In the Lake of the Woods RC 39569
by Tim O'Brien
read by John Stratton
2 cassettes
When John Wade loses his bid for U.S. senator from Minnesota, he and his wife Kathy move to a cabin at Lake of the Woods and try to refocus their lives. But each is hiding secrets. Since their marriage has been built on deceit, it is now falling apart. Even John's talent as a magician cannot put things right. And after a few days at the cabin, Kathy simply disappears without a trace. Strong language. Bestseller 1994.

Half Asleep in Frog Pajamas RC 39601
by Tom Robbins
read by Jamie Horton
3 cassettes
Gwen Mati, a Seattle stockbroker, finds herself in hot water when the stock market crashes on the eve of Good Friday. But that is only one of Gwen's problems. Over the next three days she must contend with the vanishing of Q-Jo Huffington, her 300-pound psychic roommate; the disappearance of boyfriend Belford Dunn's jewelry-stealing monkey; and the arrival of Larry Diamond, who uses telepathy on her. Strong language. Bestseller 1994.

The Funhouse RC 39618
by Dean R. Koontz
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Young Ellen Straker knows she must

kill her baby, Victor. He is not human, he is evil, and he is getting stronger. When Victor attacks her, she fights back and wins but then has to face the wrath of her carny husband Conrad. Conrad spares her life but warns her that when she remarries and has children, she will repay him. Now Ellen has children and the carnival has come to town. And Conrad has a new Victor. Strong language and violence. Bestseller 1994.

Storming Heaven RC 39623
by Dale Brown
read by Bob Askey
3 cassettes
Rear Admiral Ian Hardcastle has warned the U.S. government that the nation is vulnerable to terrorist attack, but his pleas have gone unheeded. Now Henri Cazaux, who as a youth was tortured by U.S. soldiers in Europe, has bought some old planes and plans to bomb U.S. targets. It is up to Hardcastle, along with Colonel Al Vincenti, to stop Cazaux. Strong language, some violence, and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1994.

The Sleeping Dragon: Guardians of the Flame, Book 1 RC 39759
by Joel Rosenberg
read by Christopher Walker
2 cassettes
A group of college students get together for an evening of fantasy game playing. As they assume their various roles of wizard, warrior, cleric, and thief, they are suddenly transported to a magical world, actually becoming the characters they were pretending to be. To get back to Earth, they must find the Gate between Worlds that is guarded by a menacing dragon. 1983.

Bluefeather Fellini RC 39761
by Max Evans
read by Barrett Whitener
3 cassettes
Bluefeather Fellini's mine worker father is of Italian descent and his mother is a Taos Pueblo Indian. In the 1930s Blue is bitten by the gold-mining bug when he meets old prospector Grinder the Gringo. His adventures as he tries to become rich include romances with all of the women who find him irresistible and a stint in the war in Europe. Strong language, violence, and descriptions of sex. 1993.

The Sword of Truth: The Wakefield Dynasty, Volume 1 RC 39762
by Gilbert Morris
read by Lynn Schrichte
3 cassettes
Margred Morgan knows that she and her son, Myles, have to leave Wales. The morning of their departure, as she and Myles pray, the Lord instructs her to go to the River Severn, where there is a big house. Margred does not know why, but her faith tells her to trust God. It is there that Myles's life changes forever, when he learns that his real father is Sir Robert Wakefield. Prequel to *The Winds of God (RC 39802)*. 1994.

Silk: Heart of India, Volume 1 RC 39768
by Linda Chaikin
read by Kimberly Schraf
2 cassettes
Kingscote Plantation, India, 1793. Coral Kendall, sixteen, has been ill for several months and Jemani, a low-caste Hindu, has been her companion. Coral teaches Jemani Christian beliefs and Jemani decides to be baptized. Then her husband Rajiv is killed and Jemani dies giving

birth to a son, Gem. Coral agrees to become Gem's godmother and raise him. But some disapprove, and Gem is kidnapped. Prequel to *Under Eastern Stars (RC 39814)*. 1993.

Blood Price RC 39770
by Tanya Huff
read by Laura Giannarelli
2 cassettes
Eight months ago, Vicki Nelson quit the Toronto homicide department because retinitis pigmentosa caused night blindness and some loss of her peripheral vision. Now a private detective, Vicki happens upon a corpse drained of blood. When the police refuse to believe a vampire is responsible, Vicki finds help from a surprising source: romance writer Henry Fitzroy, a benign vampire. Strong language and violence. 1991.

The Raider RC 39772
by Jude Deveraux
read by Laura Giannarelli
2 cassettes
Alexander Montgomery returns from sea when he learns the colonists are being harassed by the British. Deciding to become a masked man who raids the redcoats at night, Montgomery keeps his identity secret by dressing and acting like a fat, prissy coward during the day. But he falls in love with his now-grown neighbor, Jessica Taggert, who wants the masked raider instead. Strong language, some violence, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1987.

Sons of Texas: Sons of Texas, Book 1 RC 39773
by Tom Early
read by Robert Sams
2 cassettes
Mordecai Lewis's wandering spirit means he is rarely home with his family in Tennessee. His son Michael decides to follow Mordecai on his latest adventure—capturing wild horses in Texas. Betrayed by cowardly Cyrus Blackwood, Mordecai and most of his group die at the hands of Lieutenant Armando Rodriguez. But Michael survives to avenge his father's death. Prequel to *The Raiders (RC 39797)*. Strong language and violence. 1989.

Orchids in Moonlight RC 39784
by Patricia Hagan
read by Ilona Dulaski
2 cassettes
Now that her aunt is going to remarry, Jaime Chandler knows she has to find her father, who is mining for gold in California. A wagon train is leaving shortly, but wagon master Cord Austin tells Jaime she is not strong enough for the trip. Through a stroke of luck, Jaime joins the wagon train anyway. As the convoy slowly moves west, the wagons drop out until Jaime is in the only one left. Some strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1993.

Ghosts RC 39787
by Noel Hynd
read by Faith Potts
3 cassettes
Actress Annette Carlson has moved to Nantucket Island to be alone. But she is awakened one night by a transparent woman in white who warns her that everyone on the island is in danger. Then an evil-looking shape slithers into her cellar. Detective Brooks, an adamant nonbeliever in ghosts, changes his mind quickly as he witnesses the cruel actions of whatever is haunting the island. Strong language, some vio-

lence, and some descriptions of sex. 1993.

Burning March: A Dave Garrett Mystery RC 39795
by Neil Albert
read by Bob Moore
2 cassettes
Since he was disbarred for taking his now ex-wife's bar exam, Dave Garrett has been working as an investigator. The bookkeeper from his old law firm calls to retain him but dies in a fire before their meeting. When Garrett's ex-partner hires him to look into the bookkeeper's death, Garrett takes a close look at the entire firm, from the partners to the attractive disabled associate. Strong language and violence. 1994.

Dark Champion RC 39805
by Jo Beverley
read by Grainne Cassidy
3 cassettes
Imogen of Carrisford led a sheltered life—thanks to her father. But now he and her fiancé are dead, and her life and the castle are in danger. Before Imogen can make plans, the castle is attacked by Lord Warbrick, who wants the Carrisford treasures for himself. With the help of her steward, Imogen flees to Castle Cleeve and throws herself on the mercy of FitzRoger of Cleeve—her dark champion. Violence and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1993.

Tom Clancy's Op-Center RC 39828
by Tom Clancy and Steve Pieczenik
read by Jim Zeiger
2 cassettes
The U.S. president founds Op-Center, a crisis-management team, to interface with existing intelligence and military operations. Just six months later, a bomb explodes in Seoul, South Korea, at the anniversary celebration of the election of the country's first president. Op-Center director Paul Hood moves to earn the center international credentials. Some strong language and some violence. Bestseller 1995.

†The Legacy RC 39853
by Linda Lael Miller
read by Mary Woods
2 cassettes
Jacy Tiernan returns to South Australia when her father, Jake, has a heart attack. Ian Yarbro is not happy to see her: ten years ago Jacy broke Ian's heart by fleeing to America when his ex-lover announced she was pregnant by him. Now Jake wants Jacy and Ian to marry and take over his land. But their lust for each other may not be enough to sustain a marriage. Strong language, explicit descriptions of sex, and some violence. Bestseller 1994.

†Wild Horses RC 39860
by Dick Francis
read by Bob Askey
2 cassettes
Newmarket, home of English thoroughbred racing, is being used as the background for a film based on a murder some years back among the horsey set. During a break in the shooting, director Thomas Lyon visits an old friend, a newspaper columnist, who makes a deathbed confession that Lyon discovers is related to the film in progress. Soon it becomes clear that someone with a good memory wants to stop the film. Some strong language. Bestseller 1994.

Books for Children

Books listed in this issue of *Talking Book Topics* were recently sent to cooperating libraries. The complete collection contains books by many authors on fiction and nonfiction subjects, including animals, geography, nature, mystery, sports, and others. Contact your cooperating library to learn more about the wide range of books available in the collection.

In this listing, cassette books are labeled with the code RC and play at 15/16 ips. To order books, fill out the order form and send it to your cooperating library.

Cassettes Nonfiction

Good Days, Bad Days: An Official NFL Book RC 38087
edited by Tom Barnidge
read by Dick Jenkins
1 cassette
Everyone experiences triumphs and disappointments, and these fifteen star players of the National Football League (NFL) discuss some of those moments, both on the field and off. Troy Aikman, Gary Clark, Dan Marino, Mark Rypien, Jerry Rice, and others share the excitement of winning and the frustration of losing. For grades 4-7 and older readers. 1992.

Living with a Single Parent RC 38093
by Maxine B. Rosenberg
read by Maxine Wasserman
1 cassette
In 1989 the United States Census Bureau indicated that 21 percent of America's children live with just one parent. Most single-parent families result from separation and divorce, and most of the stories in this book are told by children from such families. Bereaved children, children living with an unwed mother, and those adopted by a single parent also share their experiences. For grades 4-7 and older readers. 1992.

Freedom's Children: Young Civil Rights Activists Tell Their Own Stories RC 38732
by Ellen Levine
read by John Stratton
1 cassette
The words of participants in landmark civil rights struggles recreate their experiences. African Americans who were children or teens at the time share memories of segregation, of the Montgomery Bus Boycott, of integrating the schools, of "Bloody Sunday," and of sit-ins, freedom rides, and voter registration drives. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 1993.

Toni Morrison RC 39482
by Douglas Century
read by Bob Moore
1 cassette
The author chronicles the life of Chloe Anthony Wofford, the only African American girl in her first grade class, and tells how she became Toni Morrison. Into the account he weaves highlights from Morrison's career as a writer and teacher, discusses how the black experience influenced her novels, and describes how she received progressively important honors up to the Nobel Prize for Literature in 1993. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 1994.

Georgia RC 39500
by Lerner Geographical Department
read by Ken Kliban
1 cassette
Georgia is located in southwestern Asia

bordered by the Black Sea, the Greater Caucasus Mountains, Turkey, and the former Soviet republics of Armenia and Azerbaijan. Annexed by the Soviet Union in 1922 and declared independent again in 1991, Georgia faces many political and economic challenges. The author discusses the history, geography, people, culture, and government of Georgia. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 1993.

All Pigs Are Beautiful RC 39557
by Dick King-Smith
read by John Horton
1 cassette
Although the narrator once had a favorite pig named Monty, he loves pigs in general—and finds them all beautiful. He says that pigs have lots of piglets and make good mothers, that they like to have their backs scratched, and that they like to be talked to and to talk back. The narrator shows lots of ways that pigs are just like people. For preschool-grade 2. 1993.

Making Friends with Frankenstein: A Book of Monstrous Poems and Pictures RC 39591
by Colin McNaughton
read by John Horton
1 cassette
A collection of humorous, scary, disgusting poems about monsters and other such creatures. Includes "Cockroach Sandwich," "Another Poem to Send to Your Worst Enemy," "The Ooze Zombie from the Slime Pits of Grunge!" and "Jekyll and Hyde Park." For grades 2-4 and older readers. 1994.

Black Hawk: Sac Rebel RC 39630
by Nancy Bonvillain
read by Erik Sandvold
1 cassette
Black Hawk, a Sac Indian, was born in 1767 in the Mississippi Valley, in what later became Illinois. As a young man, Black Hawk learned the skills he needed to become a leader among his people. One of his greatest achievements was his leadership, at age sixty-five, in the Sac and Fox Nations' protest of the U.S. government's attempt to drive the Indians from their land to settlements west of the Mississippi. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 1994.

Napoleon Bonaparte RC 39764
by Bob Carroll
read by Ronald B. Meyer
1 cassette
Many, especially in France, at one time considered Napoleon the most powerful individual in the world. But who was he? The author shows how a boy from the island of Corsica came to be crowned emperor of France and brought his country great glory. Then Carroll demonstrates how Napoleon's desires and actions led to his defeat and his exile to the remote island of St. Helena. For grades 4-7. 1994.

John Steinbeck RC 39775
by Tom Ito
read by Clay Teunis
1 cassette
Portrait of a twentieth-century American author of several highly respected novels, including *The Red Pony (RC 34258)* and *The Pearl (RC 9859)*. Steinbeck, honored with Pulitzer, O. Henry, and Nobel prizes, focused much of his writing on the plight of the poor and downtrodden and their quest

for human dignity in a land of promise. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 1994.

Cassettes Fiction

Harper and Moon RC 38084
by Ramon Royal Ross
read by Jeanne Evans
1 cassette
Harper and Moon share the fond company of a grandfatherly storekeeper, Olinger. Harper, younger than Moon by five years, is the product of a loving farm family. Moon, the son of a traveling sign-painter father and an abusive, alcoholic mother, was orphaned in early adolescence. Both boys treasure the time spent with Olinger, until he dies mysteriously and Moon enlists to fight in World War II. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 1993.

Captain Grey RC 38085
by Avi
read by Jeff Halberstadt
1 cassette
Kevin, eleven, tells how in 1783, his father—a veteran of the Revolutionary War—seeks solace from all government and society and takes Kevin and his younger sister from Philadelphia to the southern wilderness of New Jersey. There, Kevin becomes the captive of a ruthless man who has set up a "free nation" supported by piracy. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 1977.

Rick Tees Off RC 38095
by David G. Walker
read by Arnie Warren
1 cassette
Rick Avery, who'll be thirteen his next birthday, used to think that golf was an old man's game. That is, until last summer when he fell in love with the sport. He talks about what started him playing golf and shares much of what he has learned. For grades 3-6. 1985.

Santa Calls RC 38116
by William Joyce
read by Kimberly Schraf
1 cassette
Art Atchinson Aimesworth lives in Abilene, Texas, with his aunt and uncle who run a Wild West Show and Animal Phantasmagoria. And while he has a weakness for sweets and a tendency to be mean to his sister, Esther, all that changes with the Christmas of 1908. Art, a crime-fighting whiz kid, is mysteriously summoned by Santa Claus—and embarks on a rollicking Christmas adventure with Esther and his best friend that brings them closer together. For grades K-3. 1993.

The Best Christmas Pageant Ever RC 38118
by Barbara Robinson
read by Barbara Rappaport
1 cassette (Reissue)
Everyone agrees that the Herdmans are the worst kids in the history of the world. When they hear about the free refreshments at Sunday school, the Herdmans not only show up, but also muscle their way into the lead roles of the annual Christmas pageant. For grades 3-6 and older readers. 1972.

Diane Goode's Book of Silly Stories and Songs RC 38126
edited by Diane Goode
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
An eclectic collection of silly folktales from the world over, with five nonsensical songs interspersed for a dash of vim and verve. The author's intention is to "make you laugh all the way through,"

and her selections include "The Husband Who Was to Mind the House," "Talk," "On Top of Spaghetti," and "The Magic Pot." For grades 2-4 and older readers. 1992.

Calling on Dragons: The Enchanted Forest Chronicles, Book 3 RC 38356
by Patricia C. Wrede
read by Pam Ward
2 cassettes
In the third book of the series, the Society of Wizards steals from King Mendanbar the magic sword that protects the forest, and the king must send his queen, Cimorene (formerly Princess Cimorene), to retrieve it. Queen Cimorene enlists the help of her friends Telemain the magician, Morwen the witch, and Kazul the dragon king for help. Sequel to *Searching for Dragons (RC 38345)*. For grades 5-8. 1993.

Spider Kane and the Mystery under the May-Apple RC 38365
by Mary Pope Osborne
read by Pam Ward
1 cassette
Much to his mother's disapproval, butterfly Leon Leafwing falls madly in love with gorgeous gossamer-winged Mimi —who has a past. When Mimi is kidnapped, Leon and his friends seek out sleuth Spider Kane. They all travel to the Dark Swamp in search of Mimi, who has been forced into the service of the evil Emperor Moth. For grades 3-6. 1992.

Dixie Storms RC 38702
by Barbara Hall
read by Nona Pipes
1 cassette
The atmosphere becomes oppressive during a drought-plagued summer, and the atmosphere on the Peyton farm is equally oppressive to Dutch, fourteen. She is apprehensive about change and longs for the return of Becky, ex-wife of her brother Flood and mother of Bodean, her nine-year-old nephew. Then her cousin Norma, with her perfect body and big city ways, comes to visit, and Dutch feels woefully inadequate in comparison. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 1990.

Bel-Air Bambi and the Mall Rats RC 39020
by Richard Peck
read by Diane Page
1 cassette
When Bambi and Buffie Babcock's TV-producer father goes broke, he and his family say goodbye to Hollywood and head for Hickory Fork, where Mr. Babcock grew up. Smack dab in Middle America, this formerly bucolic hamlet has been taken over by a thuggish gang of high school students—beefy boys and big-haired girls. They've even trashed the mall. Outraged, Bambi and Buffie decide to set things straight. For grades 6-9. 1993.

The Face in the Bessledorf Funeral Parlor RC 39068
by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor
read by Pam Ward
1 cassette
The Magruder family runs the Bessledorf Hotel, the only hotel in Middleburg, Indiana. Next door is the Bessledorf Funeral Parlor where strange things have been happening, especially since the opening of the parlor's drive-in viewing window. Bernie Magruder believes that a robbery in town has links to the funeral parlor, and he and his friends set out to solve the mystery. For grades 4-7. 1993.

The Mennyms RC 39102
by Sylvia Waugh
read by Pam Ward
1 cassette
The Mennyms are a family of human-size rag dolls made by elderly Kate Penshaw before her death. They are able to think and speak, yet never age. For decades they live undisturbed in their London flat, pretending to be real with activities like make-believe dinners each evening. However, their existence is threatened when they receive a letter saying a relative has inherited Kate's flat and plans to visit. For grades 4-7 and older readers. 1993.

Further Tales of Uncle Remus: The Misadventures of Brer Rabbit, Brer Fox, Brer Wolf, the Doodang, and Other Creatures RC 39198
retold by Julius Lester
read by John Polk
1 cassette
This third volume of Brer Rabbit tales, retold in contemporary black dialect, focuses on the adventures of Brer Rabbit's friends Brer Fox, Brer Bear, Brer Turtle, and others. Includes "Taily-po," "Brer Fox Gets Away for Once," and "The Pimmerly Plum." Sequel to *More Tales of Uncle Remus (RC 29743)*. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 1990.

The Last Tales of Uncle Remus RC 39229
retold by Julius Lester
read by John Polk
1 cassette
In this fourth volume of Brer Rabbit tales, Lester again employs contemporary black dialect and modern allusions. Includes an essay on Uncle Remus—the controversial literary creation of Joel Chandler Harris—and thirty-nine stories of the adventures and misadventures of Brer Rabbit, his friends, and his enemies. Sequel to *Further Tales of Uncle Remus (RC 39198)*. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 1994.

Beardance RC 39234
by Will Hobbs
read by J.P. Linton
1 cassette
Sequel to *Bearstone (RC 32470)*. Cloyd is again in the high-mountain meadows with his friend and mentor, Walter. While Walter searches for a lost gold mine, Cloyd looks for a mother grizzly and three cubs, reportedly the last grizzlies in Colorado. Cloyd believes that his fascination with bears is connected to his Ute heritage. He and Ursa, a wildlife biologist, find the bears, whose survival is in danger. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 1993.

Sophie in the Saddle RC 39335
by Dick King-Smith
read by Pam Ward
1 cassette
Sophie, the ever-determined future lady farmer, is thrilled that her family will be vacationing at the seaside and staying on a real farm. There she befriends a Vietnamese pot-bellied pig and learns to ride a pony named Bumblebee. Sequel to *Sophie Hits Six (RC 39334)*. For grades K-3. 1993.

Mieko and the Fifth Treasure RC 39340
by Eleanor Coerr
read by Yvonne Fair Tessler
1 cassette
Mieko, a young Japanese girl, loves to paint and wants to be an artist when she grows up. Her art teacher has told her that she was born with "the fifth treasure," beauty of the heart, which flows

into her hands and makes her paintings beautiful. But when the bomb drops on Nagasaki, her life is changed forever. Mieko's hand is badly scarred, and Mieko is certain that she will never paint again—that she has lost the fifth treasure. For grades 3-6. 1993.

The Ear, the Eye, and the Arm
RC 39386
by Nancy Farmer
read by Lisette Lecat
2 cassettes
Zimbabwe, 2194. Tendai, Rita, and Kuda, the three children of the general, are kidnapped by the She Elephant's minions when they venture one day into the dangerous streets of Harare. The children's worried parents consult a bumbling, unorthodox, mutated detective trio—the Ear, Eye, and Arm—and the chase is on, with the detectives always one step behind the kids, who fall in and out of the She Elephant's clutches. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 1994.

***Golden Windows* and Other Stories of Jerusalem RC 39393**
by Adèle Geras
read by Suzanne Toren
1 cassette
These five interconnected stories offer a view of life in Jerusalem during the early and mid-twentieth century. The title story, set in 1910, introduces the kindly widow, Zehava Genzel, and her daughter, Pnina, who on an outing to a shop run by two elderly sisters learns about the pogrom in which the shopkeepers' mother and baby sister were murdered. For grades 3-6 and older readers. 1993.

The Boys Start the War RC 39425
by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor
read by John Polk
1 cassette
The four Hatford brothers, ages seven through eleven, lose their best friends when the Bensons, who live in the house across the river, move away. When the Malloy family, replete with three girls, moves into the house, the Hatfords declare war with a comic vengeance! But they fail to take into account the ingenuity and tenacity of the girls—who trade insults prank for prank. For grades 3-6. 1993.

Song Lee in Room 2B RC 39430
by Suzy Kline
read by John Polk
1 cassette
Song Lee, who is in Miss Mackle's second-grade class with the infamous Horrible Harry, is clever and fun to be around. Afraid of public speaking, she devises an ingenious way to give an assigned speech. Song Lee also helps her friend Doug break his writer's block; and she shows everyone the importance of following instructions during a fire drill. For grades 2-4. 1993.

The Forgotten Forest RC 39436
by Laurence Anholt
read by Bruce Huntey
1 cassette
There was once a country covered with forest. Why, the squirrels could go from coast to coast simply by leaping from branch to branch. Then the woodsmen began cutting the trees to make way for houses, and towns, and cities. Soon, there was only one small forest left, standing in the midst of a huge, noisy city. For grades K-3 and older readers. 1992.

Alice In-Between RC 39440
by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor
read by Kerry Cundiff
1 cassette
Alice, thirteen, is between being a child and an adult and is, on the whole, comfortable with that situation, observing "I was sort of between problems." Nevertheless, Alice and friend Pamela test their dawning maturity. And when they and their timid friend Elizabeth depart on a sleeper to visit Alice's Aunt Sally, an older man takes Pamela's grown-up pose all too seriously. Sequel to *Alice in April (RC 37195)*. For grades 4-7. 1994.

The Sunita Experiment RC 39447
by Mitali Perkins
read by Madelyn Buzzard
1 cassette
When her grandparents arrive from India for a year-long visit, outgoing eighth-grader Sunita Sen feels caught between two cultures. Her westernized lifestyle is threatened when her parents discourage pizza, overnight stays, and visits from boys; and her mother takes a sabbatical from her college teaching job to keep house and dons traditional dress. Gradually Sunita begins to appreciate the values of her grandparents. For grades 6-9. 1993.

The Twin in the Tavern RC 39449
by Barbara Brooks Wallace
read by Andy Chappell
1 cassette
Young Taddy is found by scavenging thieves as he cowers in the house of his recently dead aunt and uncle. Rather than face the workhouse, he submits to being hauled off to be a servant in their tavern, which is right in the heart of the town where he was told by his dying uncle to look for his twin and find out his true identity. For grades 3-6. 1993.

The Lotus Seed RC 39458
by Sherry Garland
read by Janis Gray
1 cassette
For many centuries Vietnam was ruled by emperors. They were kept on as ceremonial heads after its conquest by France in the late 1800s, and the last emperor abdicated his throne in 1945 when a war of independence began. The narrator's grandmother saw the emperor cry and plucked a seed from a lotus pod in the imperial garden to remember him by. She would keep that seed and bring it to America with her. For grades 2-4. 1993.

Germy in Charge RC 39480
by Rebecca C. Jones
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
Jeremy Bluett (known as Germy Blew It to his friends), despite past bungled efforts, feels ready for leadership on a grand scale. The sixth-grader runs for student representative on the school board—a seat usually held by a high school student—and wins! (The high school students vote a boa constrictor homecoming queen.) Now Jeremy has lots of campaign promises to fulfill. Companion to *Germy Blew It (RC 29825)*. For grades 3-6. 1993.

Dinah in Love RC 39481
by Claudia Mills
read by Lynn Schrichte
1 cassette
As chair of the sixth-grade Sadie Hawkins-style sock hop, Dinah Seabrooke is excited about mismatching neon pink and orange socks for her outfit but not about asking a boy to go with

her. Her best friend urges her to ask Nick Tribble, but Dinah thinks he's a creep. After all, he threw a pink exercise bra on her head while she was a living mannequin in the window of her father's store. Companion to *Dinah for President (RC 38022)*. For grades 3-6. 1993.

From Miss Ida's Porch RC 39513
by Sandra Belton
read by Gail Nelson
1 cassette
Miss Ida's porch is a meeting place for the folks on Church Street who gather for long evenings of storytelling and sharing. They tell of when African Americans, even a famous person like Duke Ellington, could not stay in hotels because of segregation, so they stayed in the homes of black folk. Mr. Fisher once lived where The Duke stayed. And his wife saw Marian Anderson make history one Easter morning. For grades 2-4 and older readers. 1993.

Harvey Slumfenburger's Christmas Present RC 39514
by John Burningham
read by John Horton
1 cassette
Santa, exhausted after a long Christmas Eve of delivering presents, has just put the reindeer to bed and is headed for sleep himself when he discovers a gift still in his sack. It is for Harvey Slumfenburger, who lives at the top of a mountain far, far away. Santa knows Harvey's parents are poor and this is Harvey's only gift. He must find a way to get that present to Harvey. For preschool-grade 2. 1993.

The Man in the Ceiling RC 39515
by Jules Feiffer
read by John Stratton
1 cassette
Jimmy likes to draw cartoons featuring his dad as an Indiana Jones type. When his father scoffs at his attempts, Jimmy switches to a new hero: Mini-Man. Mini-Man draws the attention of popular Charlie at school. Jimmy is thrilled, but then Charlie wants to create a comic strip with Jimmy. Suddenly drawing isn't so much fun. Meanwhile, Jimmy's uncle Lester is having problems with a musical he wrote. For grades 4-7. 1993.

Beethoven Lives Upstairs RC 39533
by Barbara Nichol
read by Robert Blumenfeld
1 cassette
In 1822 ten-year-old Christoph writes his uncle an alarming letter saying a madman named Ludwig van Beethoven has become a boarder in his house. His widowed mother has rented the upstairs office that was his father's to the eccentric, deaf composer. Over the next several years the letters between Christoph and his uncle show how the boy's feelings change from anger and embarrassment to compassion and admiration. For grades K-3 and older readers. 1993.

The Spotted Pony: A Collection of Hanukkah Stories RC 39534
retold by Eric A. Kimmel
read by Robert Blumenfeld
1 cassette
A collection of eight Jewish folktales, each preceded by a brief "shammes" story, to be read on the eight nights of Hanukkah. Includes "Leviathan and the Fox," "Did the Rabbi Have a Head?" and "The Caliph and the Cobbler." For grades 3-6 and older readers. 1992.

One Foot Ashore RC 39535
by Jacqueline Dembar Greene
read by Suzanne Toren
1 cassette
Kidnapped from Portugal and forced to work as slaves in Brazil, Maria Ben Lazar and her sister, Isobel, are separated as they flee from the friars of the Inquisition. Maria hides herself on a ship bound for Amsterdam. She befriends and nurtures a rat born on ship. After barely surviving the voyage, she arrives destitute and is rescued by Rembrandt van Rijn. For grades 4-7 and older readers. 1994.

The Jade Stone: A Chinese Folktale RC 39543
by Caryn Yacowitz
read by John Horton
1 cassette
Long ago in China lived a stone carver named Chan Lo. People came from everywhere to buy the birds and animals that he carved. When asked how he knew what to carve, he replied that he always listened to the stone. When the Great Emperor of All China received a flawless piece of green-and-white jade, he commanded that Chan Lo carve a dragon of wind and fire. But that is not what the stone wanted to be. For preschool-grade 2 and older readers. 1992.

Serious Science: An Adam Joshua Story RC 39581
by Janice Lee Smith
read by John Stratton
1 cassette
It isn't fair that the older kids at school are having a science fair and Adam Joshua's class can't participate. So when their teacher says she will tell the big guys that her class is joining in, everyone cheers. Adam's entry is a super model of the solar system—that is, until his dog and little sister wreak havoc on his project. But Adam comes up with an ingenious last-minute replacement. For grades 2-4. 1993.

Disney's *The Lion King* RC 39607
by Gina Ingoglia
read by Bob Askey
1 cassette
As a new day dawns, all the animals in the jungle gather at Pride Rock to greet Simba, the lion prince. Soon the wise baboon, Rafiki, climbs to the top of Pride Rock, takes the son of King Mufasa and Queen Sarabi into his arms, blesses him, and presents him to the animals. Prince Simba receives a great welcome. But soon Simba has to make his way in the world alone. Will he remember his father's teaching and become a great king? For grades K-3. 1994.

Walk Two Moons RC 39621
by Sharon Creech
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
1 cassette
A year ago, Sal's grieving mother left Sal and her father to visit Idaho and never returned. Sal's father has accepted that his wife is not coming back, but Sal has not. As she and her grandparents travel to Idaho to find her mother, Sal tells them "an extensively strange story" about her new friend Phoebe, whose mother also disappeared. And Sal gets to walk two moons in her mother's moccasins. For grades 3-6 and older readers. Newbery Medal. 1994.

Foreign Language Books

The following cassette titles are available in the languages designated.

Spanish

El Mundo Alucinante RC 38813
por Reinaldo Arenas
leído por Juan Ramirez
2 cassettes
La realidad y la fantasía se encuentran entrelazadas en esta novela acerca de la vida de Fray Servando Teresa de Mier, el monje y aventurero mexicano del siglo XIX. Estando prisionero en España, Servando se escapa para volver a su México natal y pelear por la independencia. Representado como un poco héroe, un poco loco, y un exiliado perenne, Servando compendia el espíritu de libertad del Nuevo Mundo que se encuentra constantemente a merced de las fuerzas de la corrupción y la explotación. (Fact and fantasy are interwoven in this novel on the life of Fray Servando Teresa de Mier, the nineteenth-century monk and adventurer. Imprisoned in Spain, Servando escapes to return to his native Mexico and to fight for independence. Depicted as part hero, part fanatic, and perennial exile, Servando epitomizes the New World spirit of freedom at the mercy of corruption and exploitation.) 1982.

Mafiosi RC 38814
por Joseph Salerno y Stephen J. Rivele
leído por Juan Ramirez
2 cassettes
Plomero por oficio, Joe Salerno se vio atrapado en el mundo de pesadillas de la mafia de Filadelfia. Después de presenciar un asesinato brutal, decidió testificar contra sus compañeros gángsters. Él describe el violento inframundo de la mafia y detalla las penurias que tuvo que soportar en el Programa Federal de Protección de Testigos. (A plumber by trade, Joe Salerno was caught up in the nightmare world of the Philadelphia Mafia. After witnessing a brutal murder, he decided to testify against his fellow gangsters. He describes the violent underworld of the Mafia and details the hardships he has endured in the Federal Witness Protection Program.) 1990.

La Montaña de Luz RC 38815
por Emilio Salgari
leído por Juan Ramirez
3 cassettes
Para reconquistar el agrado del Rajá y prevalecer sobre el malvado primer ministro Parvati, Indri proyecta recuperar el diamante Kohinoor del templo de Pannah. En esta temeraria empresa, recibe ayuda de su viejo amigo Toby Randall, el famoso cazador de tigres del sur de la India. Novela de aventuras para lectores adultos y jóvenes, del autor italiano del siglo diecinueve. (In order to regain the favor of the rajah and prevail against evil prime minister Parvati, Indri sets out to recover the Kohinoor diamond from the temple of Pannah. In this daring enterprise, he receives help from his old friend, Toby Randall, the famous tiger hunter of southern India. Adventure novel for high school and older readers by the nineteenth-century Italian author.) 1982.

Más Allá del Horizonte RC 38816
por Joaquín Aguirre Lavayén
leído por Juan Ramirez
3 cassettes
Esta novela histórica por el autor boliviano narra las aventuras de Francisco de Orellana, el conquistador español

que descubrió y exploró el Amazonas. En 1529 el joven Orellana se une a Francisco Pizarro y parte hacia el Nuevo Mundo. Luego de presenciar la destrucción del Imperio Incaico, parte hacia la densa selva amazónica en busca de gloria y oro, donde encuentra un destino único. (Historical novel by the Bolivian author chronicles the adventures of Francisco de Orellana, the Spanish conquistador who discovered and explored the Amazon. In 1529 the young Orellana joins up with Francisco Pizarro and sets out for the New World. After witnessing the destruction of the Inca Empire, he goes in search of glory and gold in the dense Amazon jungle, where he meets a unique fate.) 1979.

Cuentos de Amor con Humor RC 38818

editado por J. Vicent Marqués y otros
leído por Juan Ramirez
1 cassette
Diez historias cortas de autores hispanos, incluyendo a Silvina Ocampo, José Miguel Oviedo, Horacio Quiroga, Camilo José Cela y Manuel L. Alonso. Las historias traton el tema del amor erótico y sus humorísticas o irónicas consecuencias. En "Pigmalión," por Manuel Vázquez Montalbán, un hombre seduce a una mujer al introducirla al intelectualismo, para que al final, la situación se le dé vuelta. (Ten short stories by well-known Hispanic authors including Silvina Ocampo, José Miguel Oviedo, Horacio Quiroga, Camilo José Cela, and Manuel L. Alonso. The stories treat the theme of erotic love and its humorous or ironic consequences. In "Pigmalion," by Manuel Vázquez Montalbán, a man seduces a woman by introducing her to intellectualism, only to have the tables turned on him in the end.) 1988.

El Nacimiento de los Estados Unidos, 1763–1816 RC 38819

por Isaac Asimov
leído por Juan Ramirez
3 cassettes
Una historia de los Estados Unidos de Norte América centrada en las trece colonias originales durante su lucha por alcanzar la independencia de Gran Bretaña. Abarca las secuelas de las guerras contra los franceses y los indios, y el período de la Guerra Revolucionaria y la Guerra de 1812. (A history of the United States of America focusing on the original thirteen colonies during their struggle for independence from Great Britain. Covers the aftermath of the French and Indian wars and the period of the Revolutionary War and the War of 1812.) 1974.

Antología del Cuento Hondureño RC 38825

editado por Jorge Luis Oviedo
leído por Juan Ramirez
2 cassettes
Veinte historias cortas de quince escritores hondureños, incluyendo a Arturo Martínez Galindo, Oscar Acosta, Roberto Castillo y Horacio Castellanos Moya. En una historia humorística, "El Ultimo Vuelo del Pájaro Travieso" por Jorge Luis Oviedo, un chico va demasiado lejos en sus intentos de imitar a Icaro. La antología incluye una revisión introductoria de la literatura hondureña. (Twenty short stories by fifteen writers from Honduras, including Arturo Martínez Galindo, Oscar Acosta, Roberto Castillo, and Horacio Castellanos Moya. In a humorous story,

"The Resolute Bird's Last Flight" by Jorge Luis Oviedo, a lad takes his attempts at imitating Icarus a little too far. The anthology includes an introductory review of Honduran literature.) 1988.

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1995 Catalog of Recorded Books Available

Two new large-print catalogs listing books recorded by NLS are now available. *Cassette Books 1995* describes flexible-disc and cassette books for adults produced by NLS during the past year. *For Younger Readers 1994–1995* lists recorded and braille children's books added to the NLS collection during the past two years. Both large-print catalogs list books by subject categories and include forms for ordering selections from cooperating libraries. *Cassette Books* and *For Younger Readers* will be produced on flexible disc later this year and are currently available through the Internet.

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Baseball: An Illustrated History FD 38874

by Geoffrey C. Ward
read by Jake Williams
11 flexible discs
Companion to a public television documentary on what many claim is America's favorite pastime. The author traces the history of the game from its beginnings in the early nineteenth century, telling the story in nine innings, each with accompanying essays by other writers on topics related to the roles that baseball plays on and off the field. 1994.

All My Octobers: My Memories of Twelve World Series When the Yankees Ruled Baseball FD 39866

by Mickey Mantle and
Mickey Herskowitz
read by Chuck Benson
4 flexible discs
Recollections of a man whose name is a symbol for baseball. Mantle writes about playing for the Yankees at a time that stands in the record books—twelve trips to the World Series in fourteen years. While he enjoyed the glory and excitement of those times, he blames alcohol for most of his injuries and for preventing him from playing his best. Bestseller 1994.

Dolly: My Life and Other Unfinished Business FD 39868

by Dolly Parton
read by Pam Ward
5 flexible discs
Parton, born on January 19, 1946, in a one-room cabin in East Tennessee, was the fourth child in a family that would eventually number twelve children. Parton discusses her early years, especially her schooling and love for music; the strong ties that kept the family together; her relationship with her best friend Judy Ogle; her rise to fame in Nashville; and her marriage of twenty-eight years to Carl Dean. 1994.

Chicken Soup for the Soul: 101 Stories to Open the Heart and Rekindle the Spirit FD 39870
by Jack Canfield and
Mark Victor Hansen
read by Bill Wallace
4 flexible discs
Collection of true stories, poems, and several checklists that readers might use to help them through bad times. The seven sections include love, parenting, living your dream, and overcoming obstacles. They include works by Bennett Cerf, Art Buchwald, Robert Fulghum, and Theodore Roosevelt. Bestseller 1993.

Discs Fiction

Debt of Honor FD 38875
by Tom Clancy
read by David Hartley-Margolin
19 flexible discs
In the post-cold war era, Jack Ryan of *The Sum of All Fears (RC 33021)* is surprised to be pulled out of early retirement to become the president's national security advisor. Although a "hard-nosed hawk," Ryan is soon relishing his role in eliminating the last missiles. What he doesn't realize is that the Japanese are quietly taking a small island away from the United States and are ready for war. Strong language and some violence. Bestseller 1994.

North of Montana FD 38878
by April Smith
read by Mary Woods
5 flexible discs
Los Angeles-based FBI agent Ana Grey learns that Violeta Alvarado, the victim of a perhaps drug-related drive-by shooting, may be a cousin to the Salvadoran father Ana never knew. Soon after, Ana is assigned to investigate movie star Jayne Mason's claim that her drug addiction was caused by Dr. Randall Eberhardt. Oddly enough, the Eberhardts were Violeta's employers. Strong language, violence, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

Insomnia FD 38879
by Stephen King
read by Chuck Benson
13 flexible discs
During one of Ralph Roberts's walks about Derry, Maine, the retiree notices his neighbor Ed behaving oddly. But Ralph has problems of his own: first his wife dies and then he begins to awaken earlier and earlier each day. As Ed worsens, beating his wife and becoming an aggressive anti-abortionist, Ralph begins to see auras and the little bald men that Ed had warned him about. Strong language and some violence. Bestseller 1994.

The Voice of the Night FD 39857
by Dean R. Koontz
read by David Hartley-Margolin
4 flexible discs
Colin and Roy, both fourteen, have been best friends since Colin moved to town a month ago. No one can understand how they became best friends because Colin is very shy and Roy is very popular. Unfortunately, it proves to be a dangerous friendship. It seems that Roy has an unhealthy interest in women and in killing things. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1980.

Nothing Lasts Forever FD 39867
by Sidney Sheldon
read by Yvonne Fair Tessler
6 flexible discs
Dr. Paige Taylor is on trial for the death of one of her patients. She claims she was helping a dying man, but others say she murdered him for his money. Paige thinks back to five years ago when she and her two roommates were new, hopeful interns. Since then, Kat has been murdered, Honey has not lived up to the promise of her perfect grades in medical school, and now this! Strong language and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1994.

Everything to Gain FD 39869
by Barbara Taylor Bradford
read by Yvonne Fair Tessler
7 flexible discs
The Keswicks—Mal, Andrew, and the twins, Jamie and Lissa—have a wonderful life together. They live in New York, have a weekend home in Connecticut, and often travel to London to Andrew's ancestral home. Andrew and Mallory are deeply in love, the children are adorable, and everything seems perfect. Then Mal's world is suddenly destroyed when Andrew and the twins are killed. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1994.

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Last Stand: A Riveting Exposé of Environmental Pillage and a Lone Journalist's Struggle to Keep Faith RC 37679
by Richard Manning
read by Ray Dizefalo
2 cassettes
As environmental reporter for Montana's *Missoulian*, Manning learned that two logging companies were suspected of undermining national environmental laws and squashing their competition by clearing their corporate lands at an alarming rate. Ironically, after Manning's successful exposé he and the paper parted ways because, he believes, of the logging firms. 1991.

Born Naked RC 38590
by Farley Mowat
read by Michael Kramer
2 cassettes
Autobiographical account of the author's Canadian youth. Mowat was the only child of devoted parents who afforded him an extremely poor but idyllic boyhood. His grandfather was an unsuccessful businessman and his father was a librarian who preferred the great outdoors. Though shy with people, Mowat became fearless in his exploration of the natural world and equally free in his attempts to write about what he observed. 1993.

Over Here, Over There: The Andrews Sisters and the USO Stars in World War II RC 38733
by Maxene Andrews and Bill Gilbert
read by Kimberly Schraf
2 cassettes
With the help of a professional writer, a member of the vocal trio known as the Andrews Sisters recalls their contribution to the war effort. Maxene, Patty, and LaVerne lifted the spirits of American civilians and servicemen and women, as the sisters joined scores of performers who entertained the troops from Pearl Harbor Day to V-J Day. 1993.

A Woman's Life: The Story of an Ordinary American and Her Extraordinary Generation RC 38768
by Susan Cheever
read by Susan McInerney
2 cassettes
Linda Green is a forty-something schoolteacher and mother of two with a house in the suburbs. Her life is the basis of a study of women who struggle to balance professional and personal lives. Green, a one-time "hippie," drug-user, and partner in an open marriage, accepted some of the changing values of her generation, but she still puts everyone else's needs before her own. 1994.

Life's Dominion: An Argument about Abortion, Euthanasia, and Individual Freedom RC 38769
by Ronald Dworkin
read by David Impastato
2 cassettes
A lawyer and legal philosopher examines the debate over the related issues of abortion and euthanasia. Dworkin reasons that legal and moral questions cannot be answered until each generation interprets for itself the abstract principles of the U.S. Constitution and determines the extent to which it will permit government to impose official values on personal convictions. 1993.

A Father's Story RC 38774
by Lionel Dahmer
read by Ray Hagen
1 cassette
Since learning of his son Jeffrey's killing and mutilation spree, chemist Lionel Dahmer has agonized over whether the compulsions that overwhelmed his son had their origins in Lionel or in the things he might have done or not done with Jeffrey. He describes Jeffrey's childhood and troubled young adulthood and the shattering events surrounding Jeffrey's arrest and imprisonment. Some violence. 1994.

†Baseball: An Illustrated History RC 38874
by Geoffrey C. Ward
read by Jake Williams
4 cassettes
Companion to a public television documentary on what many claim is America's favorite pastime. The author traces the history of the game from its beginnings in the early nineteenth century, telling the story in nine innings, each with accompanying essays by other writers on topics related to the roles that baseball plays on and off the field. 1994.

At Your Leisure RC 38903
by Craig MacDonald
read by Miriam Wagner
1 cassette
"At Your Leisure" is a nationally syndicated hobby column that appears weekly in newspapers. The author of the column and this book hopes to inspire the reader to pursue an old hobby or rediscover a new one. He discusses collecting; action hobbies, such as square dancing; and crafts. He urges people of all ages, incomes, and physical conditions to use a little of their leisure time in an activity that is sure to bring new friends. 1989.

Pardon My Dust—I'm Remodeling: Build Your Character, Experience Your Self-Esteem RC 38905
by Casey Chaney
read by Graci Ragsdale
1 cassette
A guidebook intended for individuals who have tried many kinds of self-help programs without first understanding

self-esteem. The author points out ways to achieve happiness, prosperity, health, and freedom by making the right choices. Casey suggests how to overcome fear; to experience the power of honesty, generosity, and goodwill; and to actively enjoy the unexpected returns. 1990.

Screening History RC 38906
by Gore Vidal
read by Phil Regensdorf
1 cassette
Three autobiographical essays in which the author reminisces about his childhood, couching experiences in terms of the movies, especially those depicting historical events. *The Prince and the Pauper*, which he saw at age twelve, made a lasting impression; similarly, *Fire over England* created a dilemma in his adolescent mind as he contemplated America's role in World War II; and his preoccupation with Lincoln began with a movie. 1992.

Show Me the Way: Readings for Each Day of Lent RC 38909
by Henri J.M. Nouwen
read by Miriam Wagner
1 cassette
The author guides readers along a forty-day pilgrimage beginning with Ash Wednesday and ending with Easter Sunday. Daily entries for the Lenten season contain a biblical passage followed by meditations on recurring themes, such as commitment and faith, and concluding with a prayer. 1992.

Investing for Good: Making Money while Being Socially Responsible RC 39013
by Peter D. Kinder and others
read by Don Feldheim
4 cassettes
The principals of a firm that provides research to socially responsible investment managers explain how their techniques can help the individual investor with a similar conscience. By following their suggestions, a person can avoid investing in companies that manufacture weapons, test products on animals, use environmentally unsound packaging, or exploit minorities. 1993.

North toward Home RC 39017
by Willie Morris
read by Michael Stanton
3 cassettes (Reissue)
An autobiography of the editor-in-chief of *Harper's* magazine. Morris traces his nonquestioning boyhood in Yazoo, Mississippi, and his life as a college student at a state university in Texas and as a Rhodes scholar at Oxford, where he developed a strong political and social conscience. After a brief spell in California, Morris settles into the "Big Cave," as he calls New York City, to try his hand at being a writer. 1967.

Mathsemantics: Making Numbers Talk Sense RC 39019
by Edward MacNeal
read by Ray Brown
2 cassettes
Market researcher MacNeal discusses the interaction of two fields of inquiry: mathematics and semantics. Using examples from a recruitment quiz devised for employees working with numbers, MacNeal explains such mathsemantic problems as adding apples and oranges and figuring out the safe carrying capacity of the earth. His hope is to give an "elegant, new, semantically oriented way of dealing with numbers." 1994.

Healing Words: The Power of Prayer and the Practice of Medicine RC 39215
by Larry Dossey
read by Andy Chappell
2 cassettes
A physician describes his search for scientific proof of the healing effects of prayer. Citing the results of numerous case studies and experiments, the author discusses why he believes prayer enhances good medicine and speculates on the possibility of adverse side effects. Bestseller 1993.

Time and Chance: Gerald Ford's Appointment with History RC 39293
by James Cannon
read by David Hilder
4 cassettes
Cannon, who conducted nearly 200 interviews and had full access to Gerald Ford's papers, offers a brief account of Ford's childhood and early political career. But most of his study is devoted to the years between 1968 and 1976, when Ford's rise to fame began to coincide with President Nixon's decline. Cannon examines the events that led to Watergate, Nixon's resignation, and Ford's decision to pardon Nixon. 1994.

Carter G. Woodson: A Life in Black History RC 39321
by Jacqueline Goggin
read by Jake Williams
2 cassettes
The first full-length biography of the Harvard-trained historian known as the father of black history. Born in Virginia in 1875 to parents who were former slaves, Woodson became enthralled with the "history of the race" while working in the mines of West Virginia. Goggin chronicles Woodson's education, his career, and his continuing battles to promote the study and teaching of black history. 1993.

Estrogen and Breast Cancer: A Warning to Women RC 39322
by Carol Ann Rinzler
read by Jill Ferris
2 cassettes
Medical writer Rinzler states that in 1991 sixteen million American women of certain ages used birth control pills and 15 percent of postmenopausal women used estrogen replacement therapy. She argues that these trends have contributed to a breast cancer epidemic—a lifetime risk of one in eight. Includes estrogen use history, a look at studies on the topic, and a plea to the medical community. 1993.

Back Off! How to Confront and Stop Sexual Harassment and Harassers RC 39332
by Martha J. Langelan
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
3 cassettes
Using stories from women who have been harassed, Langelan presents her perceptions about ugliness and horrors women have endured and offers action techniques to combat harassment. She discusses the history of harassment, the reasons men harass women, children as targets, job-related attacks, and assaults by people such as ministers and professors. Appendixes describe legal options and community involvement. 1993.

The Arabists: The Romance of an American Elite RC 39354
by Robert D. Kaplan
read by Bill Wallace
3 cassettes
The author portrays the century-old history of a class of American diplomats known in the Foreign Service as "the

Arabists." These individuals appeared to enjoy an intimacy with leaders of the Arab world that sometimes resulted in isolation from American interests. Kaplan asserts that post-World War II changes within the diplomatic corps produced a less-biased stance toward Arab countries and a stronger pro-Israel policy. 1993.

Marx RC 39370
by Peter Singer
read by Ralph Lowenstein
1 cassette
Introductory biography of the nineteenth-century philosopher. In an effort to explain the central vision of Marx's thought, Singer discusses Marx's early writings and his materialist concept of history and economic theory of capital. He also assesses Marx's relevance in the late twentieth century. 1980.

Blood and Wine: The Unauthorized Story of the Gallo Wine Empire RC 39378
by Ellen Hawkes
read by Ralph Lowenstein
4 cassettes
Two orphaned brothers, Ernest and Julio Gallo, started the largest wine business in America in 1933 with the help of a pamphlet borrowed from a public library. An unlikely story, says the author, who believes that the Gallos' father was operating a bootleg operation during Prohibition. And when brother Joseph decided to market his own products, more lurid family history emerged in the subsequent litigation. 1993.

The Baltic Revolution: Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, and the Path to Independence RC 39391
by Anatol Lieven
read by Peter Johnson
4 cassettes
Lieven, a journalist for the *Times* of London, was stationed in the Baltic region from early 1990 to late 1992. He combines a history of the Baltic states and their people with personal reports from citizens who struggled for their freedom first in 1918 and then again in the 1990s. In conclusion he discusses new relationships with Russia and the West. 1993.

Conversations with Neil's Brain: The Neural Nature of Thought and Language RC 39400
by William H. Calvin and George A. Ojemann
read by Ralph Lowenstein
3 cassettes
Neil is an engineer who became epileptic after an automobile crash. Fifteen years later, Neil's brain is being electrically stimulated in the operating room to determine if a section of the brain can be removed to stop the seizures. The coauthors, Neil's neurosurgeon and a neurophysiologist, use this procedure to explain how the brain works. 1994.

Going Up Country: Travel Essays by Peace Corps Writers RC 39415
edited by John Coyne
read by Ed Blake
2 cassettes
Essays by thirteen former Peace Corps volunteers who were asked to return to their countries of service or countries in which they had lived and to write about them from the perspective of prior experience and current insights. Countries

include Ecuador, Kenya, Peru, Somalia, Japan, Cameroon, Grenada, Hungary, and Tanzania. Each account is preceded by a brief survey of the author's service and published books. 1994.

Robert Graves: The Assault Heroic, 1895–1926 RC 39421
by Richard Perceval Graves
read by John Richardson
3 cassettes
Graves's nephew uses his access to family papers to chronicle the development of the poet's ideas up to 1926. Graves was born into a wealthy literary family, and his creative efforts were encouraged from an early age. But World War I wounds, a failed marriage, chronic financial difficulties, and several publishing disappointments convince the unhappy young poet to make a fresh start in Egypt. Followed by *Robert Graves: The Years with Laura, 1926–1940 (RC 39443)*. 1986.

Robert Graves: The Years with Laura, 1926–1940 RC 39443
by Richard Perceval Graves
read by John Richardson
3 cassettes
In this second volume of the biography, Graves begins a fourteen-year relationship with the American poet Laura Riding. Their efforts, both collaborative and individual, produce some of their most respected work. Their personal lives, however, send shock waves through the literary world. Sequel to *Robert Graves: The Assault Heroic, 1895–1926 (RC 39421)*. 1990.

Confessions: Books 1–13 RC 39444
by Augustine
read by Patrick Horgan
3 cassettes
The first nine books take Augustine from his birth in fourth-century Roman North Africa through his conversion to Christianity and baptism in Milan at the age of thirty-three. In the final four books, Augustine, who is by now a Catholic bishop, examines the nature of God and prayer, ponders such mysteries as creation, and interprets the Holy Scriptures. 1993.

Reproductive Hazards in the Workplace: Mending Jobs, Managing Pregnancies RC 39464
by Regina Kenen
read by Pat McDermott
2 cassettes
Discusses conditions in the workplace and the home that can prove hazardous to pregnant women and to men and women hoping to conceive. Describes legislative protection, provides additional resources, and suggests strategies for combatting the dangers. Among the hazards considered are office equipment, chemicals, infections, and stress. 1993.

Soul to Soul: A Black Russian American Family, 1865–1992 RC 39509
by Yelena Khanga and Susan Jacoby
read by Robin Miles
3 cassettes
In the 1930s, the son of a black landowner fell in love with the daughter of white Jewish immigrants from Warsaw. To avoid prejudice the couple emigrated from America to Russia. Their daughter, Lily, and her African husband are the parents of author Yelena Khanga. Khanga recently met members of both American families. She now tells her culturally diverse family history. 1992.

Land of Desire: Merchants, Power, and the Rise of a New American Culture
RC 39511
by William Leach
read by Ralph Lowenstein
4 cassettes
History of American consumerism. The author charts the emergence and growth of department stores late in the nineteenth century. He explores the development of retail marketing and suggests that its techniques, widely adopted even by such institutions as museums and churches, offer to Americans a seamless fantasy of the good life that is the basis of consumer culture. 1993.

Migraine: The Complete Guide
RC 39518
by American Council for Headache Education
read by Ralph Lowenstein
2 cassettes
This guide contends that migraine, the painful and often disabling headache disorder that may include nausea, sensitivity to light and sound, and fatigue, is a primary disorder rather than a symptom of something else. Symptoms, types, and causes of migraines are discussed, as are migraine myths and therapies. The guide states migraine is a chronic condition that can't be cured but can be managed. 1994.

Before Night Falls RC 39538
by Reinaldo Arenas
read by Ed Blake
2 cassettes
As a youth, novelist Reinaldo Arenas, author of *The Doorman (RC 34085)*, supported Castro's overthrow of Batista. He became disillusioned when his lifestyle as a homosexual artist came under attack and he was harassed and imprisoned. In 1980 Arenas fled to the United States, where he continued to wage a bitter protest against Castro. Published after his suicide in the face of AIDS. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1993.

Blood and Belonging: Journeys into the New Nationalism RC 39547
by Michael Ignatieff
read by Frank Coffee
2 cassettes
In this companion book to a BBC/PBS broadcast, journalist and writer Ignatieff describes the six journeys he took to learn about ethnic nationalism. Believing that there is only so much that can be said about nationalism in general, Ignatieff examines the specific nationalisms of Croatia and Serbia, Germany, Ukraine, Quebec, Kurdistan, and Northern Ireland. Strong language and some violence. 1993.

The Wages of Guilt: Memories of War in Germany and Japan RC 39548
by Ian Buruma
read by Robert Blumenfeld
3 cassettes
Explores how the Japanese and the Germans feel about their involvement in World War II. The author is especially interested in the link in prewar attitudes between these two countries and the contrast in how the European and Pacific conflicts are viewed a half century later. Buruma traces the courses of two of America's former enemies and shows how they have become major allies. Violence and some strong language. 1994.

Dreams of Trespass: Tales of a Harem Girlhood RC 39570
by Fatima Mernissi
read by Yolande Bavan
2 cassettes
The author grew up in a Moroccan harem, which she describes as a domestic arrangement for an extended Muslim family. Mernissi portrays this patriarchal society as one that caused women to become obsessed with the desire to walk freely in the world beyond their gates. This is an account of how, with the encouragement of female family members, she determined that her ability to use words would provide her freedom. 1994.

Reinventing Education: Entrepreneurship in America's Public Schools RC 39571
by Louis V. Gerstner Jr. and others
read by Christopher Hurt
2 cassettes
Reports the accomplishments of the RJR Nabisco Foundation's Next Century Schools program and outlines plans for the future. The authors assert that the principles of quality management that they believe contribute to success in the business world are applicable to the field of education. 1994.

The Coast of Summer: Sailing New England Waters from Shelter Island to Cape Cod RC 39575
by Anthony Bailey
read by J.P. Linton
2 cassettes
A former *New Yorker* staff writer chronicles a summer of sailing from the bays of Long Island to Cape Cod. Bailey combines sailing lore, close shaves, past experiences, portraits of people on shore, travel talk, and descriptions of places visited with history, geography, and biography, and includes tales of tight quarters aboard *Lochinvar* with his wife, Margot. 1994.

The Unredeemed Captive: A Family Story from Early America RC 39576
by John Demos
read by Ed Blake
3 cassettes
In the early 1700s in Deerfield, Massachusetts, a Puritan minister and his family were among those taken captive by French-speaking Mohawks who were Catholic converts. One of the children, Eunice, was adopted by a Mohawk family and taken to a Jesuit mission-fort near Montreal. Eunice was kept long after the rest of the family was released. Later the family learned that Eunice had stayed on by choice. 1994.

The Impossible Country: A Journey through the Last Days of Yugoslavia RC 39577
by Brian Hall
read by Robert Blumenfeld
3 cassettes
First-hand account by an American journalist who traveled around Yugoslavia in the months leading up to the outbreak of the 1991 civil war. Hall describes the creation of the country after World War I and outlines its troubled history. He expresses the opinions of ordinary people, including Serbs, Croats, and Muslims, as well as the views of their leaders. 1994.

Galileo: A Life RC 39578
by James Reston Jr.
read by Ken Kliban
3 cassettes
Biography of the sixteenth-century Italian genius who was persecuted by the Catholic hierarchy for his scientific convictions. The author creates a portrait

of this Renaissance man going about his business, yet preoccupied with political, scientific, and religious matters. Reston turns a telescope (one of Galileo's inventions) back on the mad scientist who had a notion that the earth revolves around the sun. 1994.

The Best of *Rolling Stone*: Twenty-five Years of Journalism on the Edge
RC 39589
edited by Robert Love
read by L.J. Ganser
5 cassettes
A collection of "thirty-seven examples of the art of journalism as practiced at the *Rolling Stone*." The articles appeared in issues from 1969 to 1990. The range of subjects includes actors, musicians, politics, and AIDS. Among contributors are Hunter S. Thompson, P.J. O'Rourke, and Tim Cahill. Each entry is abridged and prefaced with a note by the writer. Some strong language. 1993.

Serbs and Croats: The Struggle in Yugoslavia RC 39592
by Alex N. Dragnich
read by Ed Blake
2 cassettes
Guide to the troubled history of Yugoslavia. The author outlines the birth of the independent state in 1918 as the home of Serbs, Croats, and Slovenes; recalls Croatian atrocities against the Serbs in World War II; interprets Tito's regime; and discusses the breakup of the united republics and the continuing bloodshed among people who share many things but remain divided by centuries-old hatred. 1992.

Fear of Fifty: A Midlife Memoir
RC 39597
by Erica Jong
read by Judith Ann Gantly
3 cassettes
Poet, feminist, and novelist who wrote *Fear of Flying (RC 8853)* does her take on growing older with a generation of women who have, by choice and by necessity, left home and joined the work force. Jong analyzes successes and failures in her writing career, relationships with her family and her lovers, and the plight of American women. Strong language and descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1994.

All Things Bright and Beautiful
RC 39611
by James Herriot
read by Bob Askey
3 cassettes (Reissue)
Sequel to *All Creatures Great and Small (RC 6096)*. Further episodes in the life of a sensitive Scottish veterinary surgeon with a rural practice in Yorkshire, England. Herriot, now married to Helen, continues to work with Siegfried Farnon and his apprentice brother, Tristan, and takes a personal interest in the lives of both the animals and the people he encounters. 1974.

Cobb: A Biography RC 39765
by Al Stump
read by Gregory Gorton
4 cassettes
Setting more than ninety major-league records in his baseball career from 1905 to 1928, Ty Cobb was the first player named to the Hall of Fame. He was also well known for his temper and cruelty and was disliked by other players. As ghost writer for Cobb's 1961 autobiography, Stump listened to Cobb's stories

during the last year of the player's life. He now presents an unsanitized version of that life. Strong language and violence. 1994.

Breakup: The Coming End of Canada and the Stakes for America RC 39766
by Lansing Lamont
read by Robert Sams
2 cassettes
An American author looks at the country he states has questioned its fate since its inception in 1867. Lamont traces the roots of discord between English- and French-speaking peoples who settled the land, discovers cracks in the vast regions that make up the commonwealth, assesses the influences of the United States, and predicts the consequences on both sides of the border if Quebec secedes and the nation dissolves. 1994.

The Catcher Was a Spy: The Mysterious Life of Moe Berg RC 39767
by Nicholas Dawidoff
read by Terence Aselford
3 cassettes
Biography of a man who might have pursued a number of careers but chose baseball. Berg impressed most people with his intelligence rather than his athletic ability, yet he stayed with the game, moving into the big leagues and becoming a coach. Suddenly he joined the Office of Strategic Services. Later he used his sports and spy stories to advantage. 1994.

†The Lessons of Love: Rediscovering Our Passion for Life When It All Seems Too Hard to Take RC 39861
by Melody Beattie
read by Yvonne Fair Tessler
1 cassette
After a troubled childhood, a low-income existence, and a divorce, Beattie becomes a bestselling author with *Codependent No More (RC 28220)*. For three years she is "at the top of the mountain"; her dreams have come true. Then her adolescent son dies after a skiing accident, sending Beattie into years of despair until she learns the "lessons of love." Bestseller 1994.

Lost Love: A True Story of Passion, Murder, and Justice in Old New York RC 40007
by George Cooper
read by John Stratton
2 cassettes
The narratives of those involved relate the events leading up to and surrounding the murder of Albert Richardson in 1869. Angry that his wife, writer and actress Abby Sage, had divorced him and was planning to marry Richardson, Daniel McFarland fatally shot him. Although McFarland was an abusive and alcoholic husband, the public was on his side and the jury found him not guilty. 1994.

Talking from 9 to 5: How Women's and Men's Conversational Styles Affect Who Gets Heard, Who Gets Credit, and What Gets Done at Work RC 40009
by Deborah Tannen
read by Catherine Byers
3 cassettes
Author of *You Just Don't Understand (RC 32031)* discusses how conversational style can affect the way a person is understood. Tannen uses an office setting to explain how differences in geographic, economic, and ethnic backgrounds, as well as gender, can affect how well men and women communicate. Bestseller 1994.

Dr. Faustus: Second Edition Based on the A Text RC 40014
by Christopher Marlowe
read by George Holmes
1 cassette
Classic late-sixteenth-century drama in blank verse and prose tells the tragic history of the life and death of a man who sold his soul to the devil. 1968.

Freud RC 40135
by Anthony Storr
read by Ed Blake
1 cassette
A psychotherapist presents an overview of Freud's psychoanalytic theory. Storr sketches historical background, including biographical information about Freud, basic to understanding the theory. He also surveys the main features of psychoanalysis and evaluates Freudian ideas from the perspective of contemporary research. 1989.

Inside the White House: The Hidden Lives of the Modern Presidents and the Secrets of the World's Most Powerful Institution RC 40141
by Ronald Kessler
read by Ralph Lowenstein
2 cassettes
Exposé of recent chief executives and the mansion they and their families occupied. Author of previous "inside" looks at the FBI and the CIA, Kessler relays the first-hand impressions of presidential assistants, Air Force One flight attendants, military aides, Secret Service agents, servants, chefs, and other members of the White House staff. Bestseller 1995.

Cassettes Fiction

Red Sky at Morning RC 37376
by Richard Bradford
read by Larry Shapiro
2 cassettes (Reissue)
A boy of seventeen accompanies his mother to their summer home in New Mexico while his father is serving in World War II. He describes their life in the remote mountain village and the comic escapades that occur. Through it all runs the strain of holding the family together. For high school and older readers. 1968.

Death of a Partner RC 38088
by Janet Neel
read by Ted Eiland
2 cassettes
Detective Chief Inspector John McLeish is called upon to investigate the murder of a cabinet minister's fiancée. This, at the very time he is having problems with his own fiancée and finding his new assistant most attractive. The victim, it seems, had thwarted the expectations of her sister and another beneficiary of an estate, had an affair with her partner, and raised the suspicions of her betrothed. Some strong language. 1991.

The Dead Leaves RC 38089
by Bárbara Jacobs
read by Gillian Wilson
1 cassette
A biographical novel about Emil, the author's father, an idealistic but disillusioned American. Jacobs recalls Emil's wartime service, his political convictions, his adventurous travels, and his self-imposed exile to Mexico, where he married her mother and ran a hotel. Always reclusive, Emil becomes extremely

isolated when he retires, spending his time with his beloved books. Thus, Jacobs expresses her desire to reach him in writing, the form that works. 1993.

Little Apple RC 38096
by Leo Perutz
read by Mimi Bederman
2 cassettes
First published in Germany in 1928. Soon after World War I, Vittorin, newly released from a Russian prison camp, is heading home to Vienna. But not even the anticipation of embracing his girlfriend nor concern for his family can erase his impulse to return to Russia to kill Selyukov, the camp commander. And so for two years Vittorin pursues his quarry until, when the seeker is crazed with revenge, the manhunt comes to an abrupt end. 1928.

Lost Boys RC 38470
by Orson Scott Card
read by Ray Hagen
3 cassettes
Step and DeAnne Fletcher move to a new town and slowly adjust to their new community. Preoccupied with their own problems, Step and DeAnne do not realize that their eight-year-old son, Stevie, has become extremely introverted and is spending all his time with his imaginary friends. The terror begins when a connection is made between Stevie's friends and a rash of disappearances of other boys in the town. Strong language. 1992.

The Golden Pharaoh: The Children of the Lion, Volume 5 RC 38493
by Peter Danielson
read by Patrick Horgan
3 cassettes
The Teller of Tales spoke of how the Sons of the Lion came to Egypt to help hold back the invading Shepherd Kings and of the capture of Mereet and Joseph. Now he tells of the powerful Golden Pharaoh, of the forces of the Black Wind, and of Baliniri of Babylon, who comes to the war-torn divided land. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. Sequel to *The Lion in Egypt (RC 38492)*. 1985.

Foxfire: Confessions of a Girl Gang RC 38601
by Joyce Carol Oates
read by Laura Giannarelli
2 cassettes
Middle-aged Maddy Wirtz transcribes her journals from the 1950s when she belonged to a female gang called Foxfire. The zealous leader of the upstate New York teenagers is Legs Sadovsky, who empowers the girls by exacting revenge against domineering, lecherous males. But when they make money from these lessons, their unity is threatened. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1993.

Two Fables RC 38735
by Roald Dahl
read by Jennifer Mendenhall
1 cassette
Two modern, satirical, adult fables concerned with the uses and misuses of power, whether exercised politically or sexually. They are titled "The Princess and the Poacher" and "Princess Mammalia." 1986.

Confusion: The Cazalet Chronicle, Volume 3 RC 38736
by Elizabeth Jane Howard
read by Jennifer Mendenhall
3 cassettes
World War II continues, and life for the Cazalets changes even more. Once again cousins Polly, Louise, and Clary

provide insight into how the family copes during wartime—especially with missing spouses, death, adultery, maturing teenagers, weddings, and the devastating effects of the death camps. Family members face difficult decisions as V-E Day nears. Sequel to *Marking Time (RC 37050)*. Some strong language. 1993.

Platte River RC 38751
by Rick Bass
read by Michael Kramer
1 cassette
Three novellas set in the great outdoors. In the title story, a former football player and two male friends go fishing while their marriages, careers, and cars fall apart. In "Mahatma Joe," an old evangelist comes to the valley to save souls and manages to spoil everyone's fun in the process. And in fable-like "Field Events," a giant of a man has a larger-than-life need to be loved. 1994.

Voices in the Dark RC 38763
by Andrew Coburn
read by John Lescault
2 cassettes
Bensington, Massachusetts—a bedroom suburb of Boston. Into this quiet town, where husbands and wives are forever switching partners, comes an eccentric drifter—Dudley. The body of Glen Bodine, sixteen, has just been found. His death is assumed to be either a terrible accident or suicide—until Dudley makes a passing remark about being a child-killer. Violence, strong language, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

The Fermata RC 38765
by Nicholson Baker
read by Ray Hagen
2 cassettes
Arno Strine, who works as a "temp" in Boston, is in the process of writing his autobiography, which he plans to call *The Fermata*. "Fermata" is a name he has given the Fold, the period in which he stops time and undresses unsuspecting women. As Strine works on his book, he frequently drops into the Fold and later recounts his adventures. Strong language and explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

Nemesis RC 38766
by Rosamond Smith
read by Laura Giannarelli
2 cassettes
In Joyce Carol Oates's pseudonymous mystery, music conservatory administrator Maggie Blackburn is shocked to learn that a homosexual composer-in-residence has raped a new graduate student. After convincing the young man to press charges, Maggie is angry when he agrees to settle the case favorably for the composer. But when the composer is murdered, Maggie must come to the student's defense. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1990.

Heart Conditions RC 38767
by Sara Lewis
read by Celeste Lawson
2 cassettes
Alice, who works for a New York publishing firm, has been living with her actor boyfriend, Nick, for five years when he dumps her and gives her six weeks to find another place. Learning that she is pregnant, thirty-three-year-old Alice first decides on abortion and then

changes her mind. She accepts a temporary arrangement caring for her cranky grandmother, whose past holds surprising lessons for Alice. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1994.

Now You See Her RC 38771
by Whitney Otto
read by Laura Giannarelli
2 cassettes
Kiki Shaw's life has three important circumstances: her job at a television game show consists of uncovering and noting small truths; her own story seems not to be her story at all but a recitation of the lives of people she knows; and, most crucially, she is rapidly approaching forty and, just as quickly, disappearing. People can't seem to see her anymore. 1994.

Haunted: Tales of the Grotesque RC 38775
by Joyce Carol Oates
read by Laura Giannarelli
3 cassettes
Macabre stories explore themes that evoke nightmares. In the title story, an old woman wonders about a childhood visit to an abandoned house and the murder of her best friend. "Thanksgiving" is about a thirteen-year-old girl's introduction to holiday frenzy when her mother becomes ill. "The Premonition" finds a man checking on his brother's family and questioning matters beyond his control. Some strong language. 1994.

The Tuesday Man RC 38776
by David Daniel
read by John Lescault
2 cassettes
Maura Ames, campaigning in Senator Timothy Murphy's presidential race, spots the candidate having drinks with a woman and snaps their photo. That night she and her lover are murdered in her Martha's Vineyard hotel room. Local policeman Eric Thorne's investigation of the deaths takes him far from his island home and ever closer to the horrible truth about the potential president. Strong language, violence, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1991.

Joy in the Morning RC 38778
by Betty Smith
read by Barbara Rappaport
2 cassettes (Reissue)
In 1927 eighteen-year-old Annie McGairy arrives in a midwestern university town to marry her boyfriend, Carl Brown, who is studying law. Back in Brooklyn, both sets of parents react badly to the news and cut off all support. Despite the struggle to make ends meet, the couple's good spirits keep them going. As Carl finishes his law degree, Annie, who never went to high school, pursues her dream of becoming a writer. Some strong language. 1963.

Thank You for Smoking RC 38779
by Christopher Buckley
read by Ray Hagen
2 cassettes
Like his friends in the alcohol and gun lobbies, tobacco spokesperson Nick Naylor has a tough job. They call themselves the Mod Squad (merchants of death) but publicly Nick must maintain that smoking is healthy, even when confronted on the Oprah show with a boy who got cancer. So, when Nick is kidnapped and covered with nicotine patches, he assumes it's the work of angry antismokers. Strong language, some violence, and some descriptions of sex. 1994.

†Debt of Honor RC 38875
by Tom Clancy
read by David Hartley-Margolin
7 cassettes
In the post-cold war era, Jack Ryan of *The Sum of All Fears (RC 33021)* is surprised to be pulled out of early retirement to become the president's national security advisor. Although a "hard-nosed hawk," Ryan is soon relishing his role in eliminating the last missiles. What he doesn't realize is that the Japanese are quietly taking a small island away from the United States and are ready for war. Strong language and some violence. Bestseller 1994.

†North of Montana RC 38878
by April Smith
read by Mary Woods
2 cassettes
Los Angeles-based FBI agent Ana Grey learns that Violeta Alvarado, the victim of a perhaps drug-related drive-by shooting, may be a cousin to the Salvadoran father Ana never knew. Soon after, Ana is assigned to investigate movie star Jayne Mason's claim that her drug addiction was caused by Dr. Randall Eberhardt. Oddly enough, the Eberhardts were Violeta's employers. Strong language, violence, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

†Murder on the Potomac RC 38895
by Margaret Truman
read by Mary Woods
2 cassettes
When the body of Pauline Juris, secretary to Wendell Tierney, is found alongside the Potomac River, Tierney seeks the advice of law professor Mac Smith. Incriminating evidence in the form of love letters turns up in Pauline's apartment. It seems that more than one of the Tierneys is suspect. Meanwhile they all take part in a playacting group that re-creates old Washington murders. Some strong language. Bestseller 1994.

†Lord of Raven's Peak RC 38900
by Catherine Coulter
read by Jill Ferris
3 cassettes
A.D. 916. Merrik Haraldsson, the Viking lord of Raven's Peak, has come to the slave market in Kiev to purchase a woman slave for his mother. But when he arrives, his eyes are drawn to a young boy slave. By the time Merrik returns to Norway, he has three slaves, one of whom turns out to be a woman. She also happens to be a skald, a troubadour of Viking tales. Violence, some strong language, and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1994.

The Mule Thieves RC 38904
by James Powell
read by Phil Regensdorf
1 cassette
Stopping to help a girl with a lame horse, Kel O'Day is whacked over the head, and his three mules are stolen. Kel stumbles upon a ranch the mule thieves have just ransacked and finds the girl has been caught. While guarding her, Kel is again knocked senseless and the girl is taken. When he catches up to her again, he discovers that (1) she is actually twins and (2) the two girls are unwilling members of the gang with a complex story to tell. Strong language. 1986.

Heading Uptown: A Nina Fischman Mystery RC 38907
by Marissa Piesman
read by Mimi Bederman
2 cassettes
New York attorney Nina Fischman is executor of her mother's friend Helen

Hirsch's will, because Helen's son Mark managed to die shortly before Helen. Besides his flamboyant wife, Mark left behind adolescent daughter Lisa, who corners Nina with an ardent plea for help. According to Lisa, Mark was in fear for his life, and the fact that he died intoxicated in a car crash is suspect—diabetic Mark never drank. Strong language. 1993.

A Sudden Silence RC 38908
by Eve Bunting
read by Phil Regensdorf
1 cassette
Jesse searches for the hit-and-run driver who killed his brother Bry. Jesse thinks that if he finds the driver, his own feelings of guilt will be eased. For Bry, who was deaf, could not hear the screeching brakes or Jesse's shouts of warning before he leaped to safety. For junior and senior high and older readers. 1988.

Black Betty RC 38938
by Walter Mosley
read by Phil Regensdorf
2 cassettes
Broke and single again, private investigator Easy Rawlins of *White Butterfly (RC 36906)* is living with his two kids in West L.A. when he is hired to find a woman he admired during his youth: the sensual Black Betty. When his investigation turns up corpses but no Betty, Easy wants to know why the wealthy Cain family is so anxious to find their ex-housekeeper. Strong language, violence, and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1994.

Irrawaddy Tango RC 39018
by Wendy Law-Yone
read by Diane Page
2 cassettes
Tango begins her life with the nickname Mew. But after Carlos teaches her to tango, she adopts the name of the dance. Her ability to tango wins her the attention of an army colonel, whom she marries. The colonel engineers a coup and becomes dictator of the Asian country of Daya. From that day, Tango's existence becomes one of captivity, freedom, leadership, recapture, travel, and freedom again. Violence and some strong language. 1993.

As Max Saw It RC 39167
by Louis Begley
read by Gordon Gould
1 cassette
Max and Charlie had been Harvard classmates. When they meet again as guests of a mutual friend at an Italian villa, both men have become successful in their chosen professions. Charlie, though traveling with a young man called Toby, indicates his interest in keeping a relationship with Max alive. Eventually their paths cross again. It becomes clear that Toby is not well, and Max finally learns about people. Strong language and descriptions of sex. 1994.

Sons and Lovers RC 39196
by D.H. Lawrence
read by Fred Major
4 cassettes
Restored text. Story of Paul and William Morel, brothers who bear witness to the tensions of their working-class parents. William adopts the bitterness that his father expresses too freely. Paul, the younger, finds one woman appealing and another exciting, but can elicit for neither the sensitive feelings he has for his mother. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1913.

Terror at Hellhole RC 39203
by L.D. Henry
read by John Polk
1 cassette
Unlike many of the Quechan Indians, Honas Good doesn't mind working within the white man's system. With his father-in-law, Palma, Honas tracks criminals in the Yuma Territory. But escaped convicts take revenge on Honas and Palma by murdering their wives and receive light penalties because the women were Indian. Honas must take the law into his own hands to get justice. Strong language, violence, and some descriptions of sex. 1993.

Kat's Cradle RC 39209
by Karen Kijewski
read by Carole Jordan Stewart
2 cassettes
When orphaned Paige Morrell first approaches private investigator Kat Colorado, she claims she wants to find out about her parents. But it soon appears that Paige wants her mother's death certificate in order to inherit her hated grandmother's estate. Kat has little to go on, and the elderly family lawyer dies before telling Kat anything. When she finally stumbles on the family secrets, they are anything but comforting. Strong language. 1992.

Once upon a Time: A Floating Opera RC 39210
by John Barth
read by Fred Major
3 cassettes
This "memoir bottled in a novel" is in the form of a three-act opera set on a sloop in the Chesapeake Bay. The author and his wife (captain and crew) plan a three-day cruise, but hurricane Jerry comes up the coast and forces them into the Maryland tidal marshes. As Barth looks for a way out, he meditates on aspects of his life, including his marriages, his estranged twin sister, and his writing career. Some strong language. 1994.

Days of Blood and Fire: A Novel of the Westlands RC 39217
by Katharine Kerr
read by Fred Major
3 cassettes
Jahdo, known as a ratter because his family raises ferrets to scare rats away from people's homes, is out looking for food one day when he stumbles upon a meeting between lovers. Although he promises not to divulge what he has seen, he finds himself caught in a web of intrigue. Along with a blind bard, he journeys to the land of Deverry where he helps save his enemies from an evil goddess. Some violence. 1993.

Harpy Thyme RC 39226
by Piers Anthony
read by Bruce Huntey
2 cassettes
Gloha, a goblin-harpy, is nineteen and wants to find her perfect mate and true love. But she has a problem: there are no others of her species in Xanth. So Gloha is off to see Good Magician Humfrey. She expects to spend a year in service and then hopes to find a mate. She first has to meet three challenges, and when at last she sees the Good Magician Humfrey, he does not speak of a year of service, but tells her to find his second son. 1994.

The Unicorn Hunt: The House of Niccolò, Volume 5 RC 39250
by Dorothy Dunnett
read by Gordon Gould
6 cassettes
In the sequel to *Scales of Gold (RC 36649)*, the fifteenth-century saga of almost 200 characters and many lands continues. A summary of each of the four previous volumes sets the stage for Nicholas vander Poele's search for his revengeful third wife and the baby she claims is that of vander Poele's enemy, Simon de St. Pol. Some strong language and some violence. 1993.

***Right and Left* and *The Legend of the Holy Drinker* RC 39303**
by Joseph Roth
read by Gary Telles
2 cassettes
The novella *Right and Left* tells of two brothers in Germany who become bitterly divided during the 1920s. Paul—the older, quiet, and more sensitive son—is somewhat of a snob and eventually becomes a business magnate. His brother, Theodor, ignores his mother's Jewish roots and becomes a Nazi. In the short story "The Legend of the Holy Drinker," a drunkard is given the chance to regain his self-respect. 1939.

Opal on Dry Ground RC 39350
by Sandra Scofield
read by Jill Ferris
2 cassettes
Approaching sixty, Opal is still shouldering a lot of responsibilities. Her current husband has returned to college, her two divorced daughters have moved in with her, and her teenaged granddaughter doesn't like her rules. Feeling as if her home has become a full-time job, Opal aches to retire from her health-care position. Meanwhile her daughters rebuild their lives, and her granddaughter tests the limits Opal sets. Strong language. 1994.

Bastard out of Carolina RC 39353
by Dorothy Allison
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
When Anney is fifteen she has a baby, nicknamed Bone, and is incensed that the birth certificate is stamped "illegitimate." Anney marries a sweet man who dies before adopting Bone. When she later falls in love with Glen, Anney is relieved that Bone and her sister will have a father. But Daddy Glen abuses Bone—a fact Anney tries to deny until she is forced to choose between them. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1992.

When True Night Falls: The Coldfire Trilogy, Book 2 RC 39357
by C.S. Friedman
read by Chuck Benson
4 cassettes
For twelve centuries, humans living on Erna have constantly battled with the fae—a force that turns human thoughts into reality. To escape this menace, they must cross the great ocean and settle in the east. Five previous attempts have been unsuccessful, but knight Damien Vryce, sorcerer Gerald Tarrant, and female rakh Hesseth plan to try. Sequel to *Black Sun Rising (RC 35860)*. Violence and strong language. 1993.

The Silent Speaker RC 39359
by Rex Stout
read by Jim Zeiger
2 cassettes
Nero Wolfe, the orchid-growing gourmet detective, investigates the death of a government official. Archie Goodwin

assists and reveals Wolfe's idiosyncrasies. 1946.

The Rothman Scandal RC 39379
by Stephen Birmingham
read by Christopher Hurt
4 cassettes
Alexandra Rothman has come a long way since she left Paradise, Missouri. She is editor-in-chief of *Mode*, a fashion magazine that has just reached a record-breaking circulation of five million. But at a celebration party, Herbert Rothman, Alex's father-in-law and boss, makes an announcement that shocks New York society and starts a chain of events that may destroy the magazine. Violence, strong language, and descriptions of sex. 1991.

The Adolescent RC 39380
by Fyodor Dostoevsky
read by Ken Kliban
5 cassettes
Nineteen-year-old Arkady Dolgoruky completes school but refuses to go on to university. Instead, he goes to St. Petersburg in search of his father. The illegitimate son of an idealistic landowner and the gardener's wife, Arkady has difficulty deciding where he belongs in Russian society. He tries a number of ideas, shifting from a dreamy, romantic phase to a more simple, down-to-earth stage, until he recognizes that he can find no inner peace without God. 1874.

Lead Us Not into Penn Station RC 39396
by Bruce Ducker
read by L.J. Ganser
2 cassettes
Summer in Brooklyn, 1955. Danny Meadoff is sixteen, he plans to study Dante at Brooklyn College, and he and two close friends have great plans for the summer. Life is as it should be. Or is it? This season will not be as Danny has it planned. His father's job is failing, the Dodgers may move out of Brooklyn, the sax player down at the corner may be on drugs, and Danny must go to work. Some strong language and some violence. 1994.

Words of My Roaring RC 39401
by Ernest J. Finney
read by Suzanne Toren
3 cassettes
Set in San Bruno, California, during World War II. The town changes rapidly as it is inundated with sailors and public buildings are pressed into military service. The story, as told by the main characters in alternating chapters, is about the Mitchum sisters; Elaine Walker, a teacher; Chuck Sweet, a naval officer; and Avery Fontana, a local boy who acts up. Soon it seems that the war is having an effect on everyone. Some strong language. 1993.

Daniel Deronda RC 39403
by George Eliot
read by George Holmes
7 cassettes
Gwendolen Harleth marries for power and soon regrets it. She turns her attention to Daniel Deronda. At one time he found her attractive, but now he is busily engaged in a search for the family of a young woman he saved from drowning. Deronda's mission leads him into London's East End, where he meets with success. The dual plots of this novel explore the importance of character and touch on anti-Semitism in Victorian society. 1876.

***Fine Feathers* and Other Stories**
RC 39411
by E.F. Benson
read by John Horton
2 cassettes
Stories from a literary career that began in the late nineteenth century. In the title story, a couple inherits a small fortune and takes up residence in a fine house. But, not being to the manor born, they miss the small-town gossip and activity and in the end return to their humble home. The author joins this tale with others dealing with social comeuppance, comedy, sarcasm, crooks, cranks, and spooks. 1994.

Last Rights RC 39414
by Tim Sebastian
read by Graeme Malcolm
2 cassettes
Edward Bell arrives home one evening in London to find the body of a defector in his Russian-born mother's car. It seems that the victim was an archivist who fled Russia with a pack of secret papers implicating elected officials on both sides of a pact. Then Bell is wounded, his mother disappears, the papers are missing, and a massive search ensues. Strong language. 1994.

A Sailor of Austria RC 39418
by John Biggins
read by Robert Blumenfeld
3 cassettes
Ottokar Prohaska, one hundred years old, resides in a nursing home in Wales. But from 1915 to 1918 he served as a submarine captain in the Imperial and Royal Austro-Hungarian Navy. One morning, Sister Elizabeth returns from an outing with a gift for him, a photograph album that had been his during and after the war. As Ottokar looks through the album, he reminisces about his time on board several submarines during World War I. Some violence. 1991.

Other People's Marriages RC 39419
by Rosie Thomas
read by Graeme Malcolm
3 cassettes
Nina Cort, thirty-five and widowed for about a year, decides to leave London and return to her hometown of Grafton. She knows very few people there but is quickly drawn into the lives of five upper-middle-class couples, all in their thirties. Nina is soon involved in an affair with one of the husbands—an event that sets off a chain reaction affecting each of the couples. Explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 1994.

Deep Shaker RC 39422
by Les Roberts
read by John Polk
2 cassettes
Detective and former policeman Milan Jacovich is approached by his old friend Matt Baznik. Matt is worried about his teenage son Paulie's activities. Milan is suspicious of drugs but, doing his homework, he observes a gang of Jamaicans operating out of Cleveland, and Paulie is doing their bidding at his high school. Milan uncovers crack houses, a full-scale racket, and the city's drug kingpin. Some strong language. 1991.

Uncertain April, 1909–1950 RC 39428
by Betty Palmer Nelson
read by Terry Hayes Sales
2 cassettes
In segments of time between 1909 and 1950, Clara Lanier and her mother-in-law, Miss Evelina, alternately recount their relationships with each other and

with Jourden, Clara's husband. Their memories include Jourden's bond with his parents and its effect on his union with Clara, Jourden's infidelity, and Clara and Jourden's separation. Sequel to *Pursuit of Bliss (RC 39225)*. Strong language and descriptions of sex. 1994.

Rediscovery: A Novel of Darkover RC 39429
by Marion Zimmer Bradley and Mercedes Lackey
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
Years after Darkover was first established by explorers from Earth, a new group of seekers has rediscovered the planet. The people of Darkover have developed a low-tech society dominated by men. The residents, including Leonie Hastur, have extraordinary telepathic powers. When Ysaye Barnett, one of the new arrivals, learns her people are telepaths as well, the women and their powers clash. Some strong language. 1993.

All Souls RC 39431
by John Brady
read by Barry Bernson
3 cassettes
Dublin Inspector Matt Minogue reluctantly agrees to go to his hometown to straighten out some family business. His arrival is also anxiously awaited by ex-convict Jamesy Bourke, who has finally convinced his old acquaintance, attorney Alo Crossan, that he is innocent of the arson-murder he served time for. But Bourke and Crossan need Minogue's help to locate proof. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1993.

The Edge of Honor RC 39433
by P.T. Deutermann
read by Roy Avers
4 cassettes
Brian Holcomb is headed for a seven-month tour of duty in the Gulf of Tonkin during the Vietnam War. He hates leaving his wife Maddy behind in San Diego because she has never adjusted to being alone. In the next few months, Brian uncovers a drug ring on board his ship and has to make some difficult decisions. During the same time, Maddy learns hard lessons about love and friendship. Violence, strong language, and descriptions of sex. 1994.

The Far Canyon RC 39434
by Elmer Kelton
read by Bruce Huntey
2 cassettes
In the sequel to *Slaughter (RC 38638)*, Jeff Layne is returning to his southern Texas hometown of Piedras. Accompanying him are newly married Nigel and Arletta Smithwick and Cap Doolittle, who have all soured on their roles in the buffalo massacre. The plan is to raise cattle, but first Layne must deal with Vesper Freed. Freed caused the death of Layne's father, took away the Layne land, and married Layne's sweetheart. Strong language and violence. 1994.

Hilda Lessways RC 39479
by Arnold Bennett
read by Vanessa Maroney
3 cassettes
This companion to *Clayhanger (RC 34689)* begins in 1878 in Turnhill, England, where twenty-one-year-old Hilda Lessways finds life with her widowed mother unfulfilling. Afraid that her inheritance will be squandered by

her mother, Hilda gathers her courage and seeks the advice of attorney George Cannon. Cannon offers Hilda a vocation, and her life begins to change. Then a second man enters her life: Edwin Clayhanger. 1911.

Chanur's Venture: The Chanur Saga, Volume 2 RC 39496
by C.J. Cherryh
read by J.P. Linton
2 cassettes
Tully, a human, had stolen aboard the *Pride* while it was docked at Meetpoint Station. He caused trouble for Pyanfar Chanur and her crew and then returned to human space. Now, through a deal with the kif, he is back, bringing a trading contract with the humans. But some of the kif are not pleased that Tully is associated with the Pride. Sequel to *Pride of Chanur (RC 39495)*. Some violence and some strong language. 1984.

A Superior Death RC 39506
by Nevada Barr
read by Suzanne Toren
2 cassettes
Recently assigned to Lake Superior, forty-year-old park ranger Anna Pigeon is trying to get used to "so much water all in a row" and the odd group of people she's working with. When one couple confides to Anna that they suspect another ranger has eaten his wife, Donna, she laughs them off. But when the body of a newly married diver is found among the corpses of an old shipwreck, Anna becomes suspicious of everyone. Strong language and some violence. 1994.

The Lost Diaries of Frans Hals RC 39519
by Michael Kernan
read by Ed Blake
2 cassettes
In 1992, Don Barnett's son finds an old trunk in the barn of their recently purchased Long Island home. The trunk contains a diary that seems to be by the seventeenth-century Dutch artist Frans Hals. Peter Van Overloop, a graduate student at Columbia, is hired to translate the diary. As Peter deciphers the contents, Hals's life in Holland unfolds, along with Peter's in New York. Strong language and explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

The Van RC 39520
by Roddy Doyle
read by Terry Donnelly
2 cassettes
The third installment in an Irish family saga focuses on Jimmy Rabbitte Sr. Now unemployed, Jimmy pals around with his baby granddaughter [*The Snapper (RC 35795)*] and tries to keep up with his back-at-school wife by struggling through the classics. When his friend Bimbo is also laid off, Jimmy is overjoyed until Bimbo buys a fish-and-chip van, makes Jimmy his partner, and proceeds to ruin everything. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1991.

Nebula Awards 26: SFWA's Choices for the Best Science Fiction and Fantasy of the Year RC 39521
edited by James Morrow
read by John Horton
3 cassettes
Nominees for the 1990 Nebula Awards. Winners are "The Hemingway Hoax" by Joe Haldeman, "Tower of Babylon"

by Ted Chiang, and "Bears Discover Fire" by Terry Bisson. Nonfiction entries include tributes to Donald A. Wollheim and Lester del Rey, the Rhysling Award poetry winners, and reviews of the science fiction movies of 1990. Strong language, violence, and some descriptions of sex. 1992.

Last Rites: The Complete Stories of Robert Bloch, Volume 3 RC 39522
by Robert Bloch
read by John Stratton
3 cassettes
Thirty-nine stories, mostly horror and suspense, in which Bloch takes ordinary situations and adds a twist. "Fat Chance" tells of John and Mary, married fourteen years and seemingly a typical middle-class American couple—until Frances appears and John commits a murder. In "Underground" Count Barsac plays the role of vampire just a little too well. Sequel to *Bitter Ends (RC 38509)*. Some strong language. 1987.

At Bertram's Hotel RC 39524
by Agatha Christie
read by Carmella Ross
2 cassettes (Reissue)
In 1955 Bertram's Hotel in London's West End looks precisely as it has looked for years. And it has become popular with those who want a taste of genteel England. Many of the patrons have been coming to this dignified hotel for many seasons. Miss Marple has chosen to stay at Bertram's during her holiday, but she ends up having to solve a baffling murder among a unique group of aristocratic guests. 1965.

Death of a Prankster RC 39526
by M.C. Beaton
read by John Horton
1 cassette
Andrew Trent, a wealthy Scotsman known for insufferable practical jokes, summons relatives to his home under the pretext that he is about to die. When they arrive, Trent appears to be up to his old tricks. Soon, however, he is quite dead, and when Constable Hamish Macbeth is called in, the relatives become murder suspects. Hamish, too, has been the butt of Trent's jokes, but this case puts his reputation on the line. Some strong language. 1992.

The Hawk and the Jewel: The Kensington Chronicles, Volume 1 RC 39527
by Lori Wick
read by Jill Ferris
3 cassettes
Even though she is English, Shani is the most favored child in the household of Ahmad Khan. Thus she has trouble understanding how her beloved Ahmad can send her back to England. On the voyage, Captain Brandon Hawkesbury tells Sunny (her given name) about her family and about life in England. But Hawk cannot prepare her for the turmoil she soon faces. Prequel to *Wings of the Morning (RC 39528)*. 1993.

A Killing in Moscow RC 39539
by Clive Egleton
read by Graeme Malcolm
2 cassettes
In the sequel to *Hostile Intent (RC 38548)*, British agent Peter Ashton is in Moscow for a security inspection of the British Embassy. Secretary Elena Andrianova admits she had been forced into spying on her boss. Her contact was the same woman who,

along with a British businessman, had just been killed in an arranged hit. Ashton returns home to puzzle out the connection with the help of a new assistant. Strong language, violence, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

Obsidian Sky RC 39540
by Guy Garcia
read by Christopher Hurt
3 cassettes
In Mexico City, Berkeley anthropology student Brian Mendoza is researching ritual human sacrifices for his doctoral dissertation. Studying a recently discovered book at an Aztec ruin, Brian decides to pursue the path of a sixteenth-century priest, a trail that leads to the Yucatan. Accompanied by friends, Brian discovers considerable twentieth-century intrigue and more about his own heritage. Some strong language and some violence. 1994.

Generations of Winter RC 39541
by Vassily Aksyonov
read by Ken Kliban
6 cassettes
Epic novel, set in the Soviet Union from 1925 to 1945, that chronicles the fate of the Gradov family, representatives of the privileged class caught up in Stalin's grip. A physician and his musician wife are parents of a daughter who is a cynical poet, one son who is a Marxist, and another who is a soldier without political ideals. Inevitably the Gradovs become pointless victims of the regime. Some strong language and some violence. 1994.

The Heart of Midlothian RC 39542
by Sir Walter Scott
read by Patrick Horgan
5 cassettes
Jeanie Deans, a peasant girl, is the heroine of this eighteenth-century novel that revolves around a Scottish prison. Jeanie treks from Edinburgh to London to gain a pardon for her sister Effie, falsely accused of child-murder, but Effie escapes with her lover. Meanwhile, when John Porteous—a guard condemned for murder—is reprieved by the queen, a mob takes justice into its own hands. 1818.

Scissors Cut Paper Wrap Stone RC 39544
by Ian McDonald
read by John Horton
1 cassette
Ethan and Masahiko met when they were studying in England. As graphic art students, Ethan and Masahiko had created computer-generated images with infinite power to control the mind of the perceiver. Now they are on a thousand-mile spiritual journey through twenty-first-century Japan, where they hope to use their forces to vanquish the country's crime syndicate. Strong language and some violence. 1994.

The Case of the Toxic Spell Dump RC 39550
by Harry Turtledove
read by L.J. Ganser
3 cassettes
It is 5:07 A.M. in Angels City when EPA investigator David Fisher gets a call from the District of St. Columba. Apparently EPA has been getting a lot of complaints about a dump with residues of spells, and wants Fisher to have an unofficial look. His investigation shows, among other things, that the number of birth defects locally has tripled in the last ten years. He soon is up to his neck in foul magic. Some

strong language and some violence. 1993.

Corelli's Mandolin RC 39551
by Louis De Bernières
read by Suzanne Toren
3 cassettes
Pelagia, daughter of Dr. Iannis on the Greek island of Cephallonia, is the central figure in a story that begins shortly before World War II. As Captain Corelli, a member of the Italian occupation forces that invade the island, and Mandras, a local fisherman, vie for Pelagia's affection, the arrival of Nazi and Communist troops turns the placid island into a quagmire. And, for Pelagia, it is more than a test of endurance. Some strong language. 1994.

The Wind from the Sea RC 39553
by Constance Heaven
read by Lisette Lecat
4 cassettes
In 1793 young Isabelle and her brother Guy are assisted by a kind stranger, Robert Armitage, as the siblings flee the French Revolution. The children spend an unhappy childhood in England with their uncle and his family, but the situation in France continues to affect Isabelle's life, especially when, at nineteen, she again meets up with Robert, who is the viscount Kilgour. Some strong language, some violence, and some descriptions of sex. 1991.

The Forty Fathom Bank: Novella RC 39558
by Les Galloway
read by J.P. Linton
1 cassette
The narrator recalls the year 1940 in San Francisco when, worried about how he would support his family, he settled on a get-rich-quick scheme involving shark fishing. He bought an old boat and hired an experienced fisherman. But life at sea proved difficult, especially when the narrator was called upon to cope with rough waters, a silent partner, a dead engine, and—most dangerous—an overactive imagination. Some strong language. 1984.

The Belly of the Wolf: The Lens of the World, Volume 3 RC 39561
by R.A. MacAvoy
read by John Stratton
2 cassettes
Nazhuret and his daughter Nahvah are living in exile in Canton when Nazhuret receives word that his dear friend King Rudof of Velonya is dead—perhaps murdered. Knowing that his homeland will become embroiled in chaos, Nazhuret and Nahvah head for Velonya. On the way they overcome a succession of obstacles, and when they arrive, Nazhuret's original plans must change. Sequel to *King of the Dead (RC 34931)*. Some violence. 1994.

These Same Long Bones RC 39562
by Gwendolyn M. Parker
read by Christopher Hurt
2 cassettes
Sirus McDougald is president of the bank and a pillar of the black community in Durham, North Carolina. When his beloved daughter dies from a fall, Sirus is forced to confront his grief while coping with his fragile marriage, unscrupulous white businessmen who threaten to unravel the community, and changes in his friends. Sirus's character, values, business sense, and concern for his community help him to deal with his demons. 1994.

The Ice House RC 39563
by Minette Walters
read by Patricia Kilgarriff
2 cassettes
Phoebe Maybury and her two housemates are thought to be lesbians, witches, and murderers. When a body is found in Phoebe's icehouse, the villagers and the police assume they now have proof that Phoebe killed her long-missing husband David. As the inspector tries to indentify the body, his partner is surprised to find himself siding with the three women and becoming wildly attracted to the most insolent one. Strong language and violence. 1992.

Catilina's Riddle RC 39565
by Steven Saylor
read by Richard Davidson
4 cassettes
Known as the Finder to his friends in ancient Rome, Gordianus, of *Roman Blood (RC 36648)*, inherits a farm in the countryside where he can escape the hectic city. But it appears that city life will still intrude on him. His friend Cicero is asking that Gordianus help keep an eye on Catilina, a senator suspected of conspiracy. At first Gordianus is reluctant to become involved. Then he finds a headless corpse in his stables. Some violence. 1993.

The Dork of Cork RC 39572
by Chet Raymo
read by George Holmes
2 cassettes
Bernadette Bois, a young French girl, arrives in Ireland, pregnant by an American soldier. An immigration official befriends her and helps her through the birth of her son, Frank. A dwarf, Frank is now forty-three and solitary, and he has just written his life's story. Though irritated that his publisher is using Frank's dwarfism to sell the book, Frank agrees to come out of hiding. Strong language, some violence, and some descriptions of sex. 1993.

A Hundred Days from Now RC 39573
by Steven Corbin
read by John Stratton
2 cassettes
When black screenwriter Dexter Baldwin falls in love with wealthy Hispanic Sergio Gutierrez, it is a bittersweet affair. They are both HIV-positive and Sergio soon shows symptoms of AIDS. Dexter's attempts to help Sergio are frustrated by Sergio's mood swings and his refusal to admit his bisexuality to his family. Now Sergio is given a second chance—a bone-marrow transplant from his twin brother. Strong language and explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

The Sculptress RC 39574
by Minette Walters
read by Patricia Kilgarriff
2 cassettes
When writer Roz Leigh stops working after a personal tragedy, she is given an ultimatum by her publisher: write a book about convicted murderer Olive Martin or lose her job. Initially repulsed by obese Olive, who has admitted to butchering her mother and sister for ignoring her birthday, Roz is soon trying to prove that Olive is lying to protect someone. Some strong language, some violence, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1993.

To the End of Her Days RC 39579
by Malcolm Macdonald
read by Barbara Caruso
4 cassettes
After two years of caring for her dying

husband, Jessica Lanyon, thirty, is a widow. Now she worries about her three children and how they will survive the near-penniless state in which they have been left. Her one source of comfort and support has been Dr. David Carne. Then Lorna Sancreed, pregnant and in her early twenties, arrives in town looking for Jessica. Life in the small Cornwall village will never be the same. 1994.

Shadowfires RC 39580
by Dean R. Koontz
read by Nick Sullivan
3 cassettes
Just after Eric and Rachael finish an ugly argument about their impending divorce, Eric is killed by a truck. Rachael's reaction confuses her friend Ben—why is she armed, and why isn't she surprised when Eric's body vanishes from the morgue? As a trail of evidence soon makes clear, Eric is alive again, he is going through some horrifying changes, and he's after Rachael. Strong language, violence, and some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1987.

Gloria RC 39583
by Mark Coovelis
read by John Stratton
2 cassettes
Restaurant owner Marvin Stone is approached by sociology professor Lauren Ogilvie, who wants to write a book about Stone's sister. Gloria is the name the sister, Lisbeth, took the last time she ran away from her husband and young son. She was ultimately found buried with three other young women. Gloria's lover implicated Gloria in the other deaths, and Lauren wants to prove him wrong. Some violence. 1994.

Cons RC 39584
by Timothy Watts
read by Nick Sullivan
2 cassettes
Ex-con Frank "Cully" Cullen wants to go straight, earn some money, and start a restaurant, but people won't let him. His first couple of employers cheat him out of his pay, and then wealthy Herb Dorrance hires him to chauffeur his young wife, Michelle. Sexually abused by kinky Herb, Michelle hatches a revenge scheme involving Cully and another ex-con, who is definitely not rehabilitated. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1993.

Open Secrets: Stories RC 39585
by Alice Munro
read by Catherine Byers
2 cassettes
The characters in these stories are mainly women from small towns in Canada, preoccupied with the men, or lack of them, in their lives. In "Carried Away," Louisa corresponds with a World War I soldier who marries another woman when he comes home from overseas. In the title story, after a girl disappears from a hiking group, no one solves the mystery of whether she ran away or met with foul play. 1994.

The Talisman RC 39586
by Sir Walter Scott
read by Patrick Horgan
3 cassettes (Reissue)
Early nineteenth-century novel about the adventures of Sir Kenneth, prince royal of Scotland, who, disguised as a knight, accompanies Richard the Lion-Hearted on a crusade to the Holy Land. The talisman from which the story takes its name is an amulet with miraculous healing powers and with which Richard

is cured by Saladin, his noble enemy. 1825.

Blessing in Disguise RC 39590
by Eileen Goudge
read by Nona Pipes
3 cassettes
The late Senator Eugene Truscott, well known for his work in civil rights, accidentally shot the husband of his black assistant, Margaret Emory, during a struggle. The facts are hushed up until Truscott's daughter, who was present at the shooting, writes his biography. Her revelations challenge Truscott's widow, who is planning the senator's memorial library, and Margaret's daughter, who is designing the building. Strong language and some violence. 1994.

The Geographical Cure: Novellas and Stories RC 39594
by Michael Parker
read by John Stratton
2 cassettes
In "As Told To," the first of two novellas in this collection, an elderly man reads his older brother's memoirs and confronts decades of resentment. In "Golden Hour," a broken-down bus strands a radical musician at a school, where he sorts out his ideas with a prim teacher and an easy-going administrator. Four short stories round out Parker's fiction set in the American South. Some strong language. 1994.

From the Teeth of Angels RC 39595
by Jonathan Carroll
read by John Horton
2 cassettes
Death appears to an Englishman in a dream, offering to respond to his questions but exacting a price if he fails to understand the answers. An American actress abandons the good life and becomes involved with a war correspondent in Vienna. A terminally ill former television host, also American, has powers he could never imagine. The three deal with death in unique ways while offering one another a strange kind of hope. Strong language. 1994.

Death Benefits: A Rachel Gold Mystery RC 39596
by Michael A. Kahn
read by Catherine Byers
2 cassettes
Stoddard Anderson was the managing partner for the St. Louis office of Abbott and Windsor. Several days ago he committed suicide. Rachel Gold has been retained by the law firm to prove that Anderson was insane when he killed himself. Rachel and her best friend Benny travel to St. Louis looking for proof of insanity. They become involved with a missing Aztec artifact and just a little romance. Some strong language. 1992.

Passion and Illusion RC 39608
by Barbara Delinsky
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Talk-show hostess Monica Grant isn't looking where she is going when she walks out of the bookstore, but she doesn't expect to have someone barrel into her and knock her down. The next thing she knows she is being helped up by Michael Shaw, the policeman chasing the pickpocket who collided with her. For the next few weeks, Monica is pursued by both the cop and the pickpocket. Some strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1983.

Red River Ruse RC 39635
by L.J. Washburn
read by Bob Askey
2 cassettes
Range boss Nacho Graves is traveling with his employer's law partner, Billy Cambridge, to deliver 20,000 dollars to Fort Smith when the stage is held up and Nacho is shot. Billy and Nacho stay at the nearby town of Red River as they plan how to track down the money. Meanwhile, there's something suspicious going on with the family of Billy's old friend Jake Maxwell, who runs the Red River stage station. Strong language and violence. 1991.

Uncharted Territory RC 39644
by Connie Willis
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
1 cassette
Surveyors Findriddy (Fin) and Carson have been sent to map the planet Boohte. Upon arrival, they are joined by Dr. Parker, a specialist in mating customs, and by Bult, a native who will serve as their guide. Back at home people eagerly follow their adventures, thinking they are on a simple mission. But Fin and Carson find themselves dealing with a hostile terrain, uncooperative aliens, and petty regulations. Strong language. 1994.

N.P. RC 39648
by Banana Yoshimoto
read by Yvonne Fair Tessler
1 cassette
Japanese writer Sarao Takase's short story collection, *N.P.*, has been published in America. After Takase commits suicide, three others also kill themselves while trying to translate his book into Japanese. The last translator's girlfriend, Kazami, becomes involved with Takase's grown children and the subject of Takase's last known story: the woman he had an affair with before realizing she was his daughter. 1990.

The Cat Who Turned On and Off RC 39656
by Lilian Jackson Braun
read by Bob Askey
2 cassettes
Qwilleran, new features writer for the *Daily Fluxion*, is looking for an apartment for himself and his two Siamese cats, Koko and Yum Yum. When he is asked to write about Junktown, the antiques district, Qwill finds both an apartment and a hotter story: an antique dealer has recently been killed. Koko's ability to turn on light switches gives Qwill the evidence to crack the case within a week—but not before two more people have died. 1968.

Spencerville RC 39755
by Nelson DeMille
read by Chuck Benson
3 cassettes
Keith Landry has left the National Security Council and returned to Spencerville—and Annie. Although it has been twenty-five years and Annie is now married to Sheriff Cliff Baxter, Keith, a bachelor, still cares for her. When he learns Annie's husband is a sociopath and Annie is a virtual prisoner in her home, Keith knows he must help her. But his past may come back to haunt him. Strong language and explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1994.

The Silver Highway: Treasure Quest, Book 1 RC 39760
by Marian Wells
read by Mary Kane
3 cassettes
Southerner Olivia Thomas, sent to a

Boston school, befriends Crystal Cabet, who is searching for the family secret explaining her dark skin. Olivia also meets her brother Matthew's irresponsible friend Alex Duncan. The next time Olivia encounters Alex, he has found the Lord and is transporting slaves to freedom on the silver highway of the Mississippi River. Prequel to *Colorado Gold (RC 39781)*. Some violence. 1989.

Castile for Isabella RC 39769
by Jean Plaidy
read by Ilona Dulaski
2 cassettes
The king of Castile is on his deathbed, and his hysterical second wife, Isabella, worries about the fate of her two children. The king's son by his first marriage, Henry, is heir to the throne, but Henry's marriage to Blanche of Aragon has produced no heirs. Isabella is preparing her young daughter, Isabella, to become queen. Then Henry divorces and takes a second wife who bears a child. Now there is uncertainty about the rightful heir. 1960.

Mountain Men on the Santa Fe Trail RC 39780
by Jess McCreede
read by Gregory Gorton
2 cassettes
When the beaver trade dries up, trapper Zack McClendon suggests to his partner that they become traders on the Santa Fe Trail. They know the dangers they face from the bands of angry Indians, but they are unaware that traders are being killed by Mexican soldiers. Violence. 1992.

Taming Charlotte RC 39785
by Linda Lael Miller
read by Celeste Lawson
2 cassettes
Paris, 1877. Charlotte Quade, twenty-three, is returning home to Seattle, Washington Territory. But she wishes she could first have just one glorious adventure. Then she is kidnapped and soon is in a sultan's harem, taken there by a man she met when she was thirteen. Charlotte has often dreamed of being a harem girl, but now she is not sure she likes it. Explicit descriptions of sex, some violence, and some strong language. 1993.

***Rare and Endangered Species*: A Novella and Stories RC 39788**
by Richard Bausch
read by Terence Aselford
2 cassettes
In the title novella, a woman commits suicide without warning, leaving her family to imagine the future. "The Person I Have Mostly Become" depicts an unemployed son who struggles with his emotions as he observes his mother in a subservient position. In "Aren't You Happy for Me?" a pregnant young woman calls her parents to announce that she is marrying her old professor. Strong language. 1994.

The Legend of Olivia Cosmos Montevideo RC 39792
by Constance Warloe
read by Mary Kane
3 cassettes
When her son Gary dies in Vietnam, Roberta Patterson Masters finds no comfort in her husband, Andrew. She leaves on what is supposed to be a tour of historical sites but settles in Santa Fe as Olivia Cosmos Montevideo. Realiz-

ing that she has no choice but to go on living, Olivia takes a lover, learns how to make pottery, gets her real estate license, and finds safe places for families to live. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

Neptune Crossing: The Chaos Chronicles, Volume 1 RC 39793
by Jeffrey A. Carver
read by David Hilder
2 cassettes
Space pilot John Bandicut, part of a mining expedition on Triton, doesn't know just what made him drive his rover past the invisible stop line, but something seemed to be calling him. Landing in a cavern, he is confronted by a quarx—a member of an alien race that can predict the future. It seems that Earth is about to collide with a comet, and it is up to Bandicut to save the planet. Strong language. 1994.

The Raiders: Sons of Texas, Book 2 RC 39797
by Tom Early
read by Robert Sams
2 cassettes
In the sequel to *Sons of Texas (RC 39773)*, Michael Lewis and his brother Andrew have settled in Stephen Austin's Texas colony. Like their late father, Michael has wanderlust that makes it difficult for him to stay on the farm with his wife, Marie, and their child. To keep Michael home, Andrew begins to take long journeys. His belief that Marie is one of a kind is finally shattered when he meets Petra. Strong language and violence. 1989.

Blood Trail RC 39798
by Tanya Huff
read by Laura Giannarelli
2 cassettes
Although private detective Vicki Nelson accepted that her friend Henry Fitzroy was a vampire in *Blood Price (RC 39770)*, she is amazed when he introduces her to a family of werewolves who regularly change from humans to large dogs. Someone is killing the werewolves as they guard their sheep flock, and Vicki is enlisted to find the murderer. Because of her night blindness, Vicki will take the day shift and Henry the night. Strong language and violence. 1992.

The Winds of God: The Wakefield Dynasty, Volume 2 RC 39802
by Gilbert Morris
read by Lynn Schrichte
2 cassettes
Sixteenth-century England. When Robin Wakefield learns that Queen Mary had his father burned at the stake as a heretic, he is consumed with hate for the Crown, despite the love and faith in God taught him by his grandfather, Myles Wakefield. But when Robin undertakes a dangerous mission for Queen Elizabeth, he meets Allison Spenser, who teaches him to trust in God again. Sequel to *The Sword of Truth (RC 39762)*. 1994.

Bluefeather Fellini in the Sacred Realm RC 39803
by Max Evans
read by Barrett Whitener
3 cassettes
In the sequel to *Bluefeather Fellini (RC 39761)*, half-Native American, half-Italian Fellini is down on his luck and reminiscing about past adventures. His

supposed spirit guide, Dancing Bear, seems more cockeyed whirling dervish than helpful presence. But things look up when Blue is asked to search for a million dollars' worth of 1880 wine. Strong language, some violence, and some descriptions of sex. 1994.

The Rebels: Sons of Texas, Book 3
RC 39810
by Tom Early
read by Robert Sams
2 cassettes
In the sequel to *The Raiders (RC 39797)*, James Lewis, his sister Annie, and his cousin Frank's family are traveling from Tennessee to join brothers Michael and Andrew in their Texas settlement. They are almost turned away by the Mexican army, which is enforcing a new law forbidding American settlers. Andrew's connections get them in, but the battle between the settlers and the army is about to escalate. Strong language and violence. 1990.

Blood Lines RC 39811
by Tanya Huff
read by Laura Giannarelli
2 cassettes
In the sequel to *Blood Trail (RC 39798)*, a coffin containing a mummy is discovered by a scientist from a Toronto museum. Once unwrapped, the mummy kills people to steal their ka and disappears into the city. P.I. Vicki Nelson assists her friend and lover, police detective Mike Celluci, in his investigation when her other lover and cohort, vampire Henry Fitzroy, begins to have mummy-induced nightmares. Strong language and violence. 1993.

Under Eastern Stars: Heart of India, Volume 2 RC 39814
by Linda Chaikin
read by Kimberly Schraf
2 cassettes
India, 1799. Coral Kendall's faith strengthens her belief that her adopted son, Gem, is alive. She also believes she must build a mission school for the "untouchable" children of India. But her uncle, Sir Hugo Roxbury, ambassador of the East India Company, is determined to thwart her plans. Two men are dedicated to helping Coral—Dr. Ethan Boswell and Major Jace Buckley. Sequel to *Silk (RC 39768)*. 1993.

Blood Pact RC 39821
by Tanya Huff
read by Laura Giannarelli
2 cassettes
Private eye Vicki Nelson is being wooed by both her vampire colleague, Henry Fitzroy, and her former partner, Detective-Sergeant Mike Celluci, so they both follow her when she flies home for her mother's funeral. When the dead woman's body disappears, the trio discovers the experiments that the deceased's professor-boss has been conducting on the recently dead. Sequel to *Blood Lines (RC 39811)*. Strong language and violence. 1993.

The Edge RC 39841
by Mark Olshaker
read by Miranda Daniloff
3 cassettes
Washington, D.C., detective Cassandra Mansfield is assigned a serial murder case in which the victims were killed using ancient death rituals. The thematic crimes are reminiscent of those of convicted murderer Neville Ramsey. Ramsey killed himself six months earlier, but

one victim was a patient of Ramsey's neurosurgeon-brother who was working on the mind-brain frontier: the edge. Strong language, violence, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

†The House of Thunder RC 39851
by Dean R. Koontz
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
When Susan Thorton, thirty-two, awakes in a hospital room she has no recollection of why she is there. At first all she remembers is her name and age. Then slowly her memory returns and she dreams she is lying in a pool of blood in the House of Thunder. Violence. Bestseller 1982.

†Until You RC 39852
by Judith McNaught
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
3 cassettes
Sheridan Bromleigh spent the first fourteen years of her life drifting around America with her father. Then she was sent to live with her aunt, who turned her into a refined young lady and school teacher. Sheridan is asked to accompany a student, Charise Lancaster, to England to meet her fiancé, Lord Burleton. But a series of mishaps finds Sheridan in the home of Lord Westmoreland, who believes she is Charise. Some descriptions of sex. 1994.

†For My Lady's Heart RC 39854
by Laura Kinsale
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
3 cassettes
Ruck of Wolfscar finds himself penniless, his wife having entered a nunnery and given all his worldly goods to the church. Then he is rescued by Melanthe del Monteverde who gives him two emeralds. Now thirteen years later, and known as the Green Knight, Ruck has come to save Melanthe from the duke of Lancaster and to claim her as his own. Violence and explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1993.

†Natural Causes RC 39856
by Michael Palmer
read by Mary Woods
3 cassettes
Former holistic healer Sarah Baldwin decided to get an orthodox medical degree after an ethics disagreement with her mentor/lover Peter Ettinger. Now an obstetric resident, Sarah is shocked when one of her patients hemorrhages, losing both the baby and her arm. When two other cases come to light, Sarah's prenatal holistic tea is suspect. Someone is setting Sarah up to take the blame, but who and why? Strong language and violence. Bestseller 1994.

†The Voice of the Night RC 39857
by Dean R. Koontz
read by David Hartley-Margolin
2 cassettes
Colin and Roy, both fourteen, have been best friends since Colin moved to town a month ago. No one can understand how they became best friends because Colin is very shy and Roy is very popular. Unfortunately, it proves to be a dangerous friendship. It seems that Roy has an unhealthy interest in women and in killing things. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1980.

†Daughter of the Stars RC 39862
by Phyllis A. Whitney
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Children's author Lacey Elliot grew up without knowing any family except her

mother. A letter has arrived from Harpers Ferry, West Virginia, and, to spare her ill mother, Lacey reads the letter and learns that she has relatives she never knew existed. She travels to Harpers Ferry, where her arrival, along with that of her grandfather, Daniel Griffin, stirs up long-suppressed memories involving murder—and another murder ensues. 1994.

Farewell to Fairacre RC 40005
by Miss Read
read by Patricia Kilgarriff
2 cassettes
It is September and time for another school term to begin for Miss Read. She has been feeling poorly lately and is finally persuaded to see her doctor, from whom she learns she has had a small stroke. But life goes on in Fairacre. As Miss Read continues to teach, she thinks about retiring, contends with the idiosyncrasies of the locals, and even considers a marriage proposal. 1993.

The Masters of the House: A Novel of Suspense RC 40006
by Robert Barnard
read by George Holmes
2 cassettes
When Ellen Heenan and her newborn baby die, her husband, Dermot, breaks down. Panicked that their family will be broken up if word gets out, young Matthew and his sister Annie take over caring for the two younger children. But Carmen O'Keefe, a woman rumored to have had an affair with Dermot, demands to see him. When she is found dead in their garden, the children must cover that up, too. Strong language and some violence. 1994.

They Whisper RC 40008
by Robert Olen Butler
read by J.P. Linton
3 cassettes
A Pulitzer Prize-winning author's tale about Ira Holloway, a man nearing middle age, who hears the voices of women he has loved in the past. Ira relives passionate encounters and dreams of women he has never known, in an intense meditation on the nature of sexuality. Meanwhile, his real life offers little to satisfy his desires, as his wife's obsession turns her from religious eccentric to fanatic. Strong language and explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

Coda RC 40012
by Thea Astley
read by Lisette Lecat
1 cassette
Kathleen Hackendorf is old and lonely: her husband died some years ago, and she is losing her memory—especially her nouns. She is losing other things also—her hearing, sight, tenses, and moods. Kathleen's children are too busy with their own lives to care about her, so they sell Kathleen's house and furniture and deposit her in a retirement home. But Kathleen is determined to have one last fling at freedom. Some strong language. 1994.

White Eye RC 40017
by Blanche d'Alpuget
read by Graeme Malcolm
2 cassettes
Diana Pembridge, an Australian birds-of-prey trainer, is rescuing an eagle when she discovers the body of Carolyn Williams, a longtime acquaintance. The police think rape, but Diana is suspicious of the research center at which Diana worked. Indeed, the center direc-

tor is illegally testing a vaccine on chimpanzees. As Diana tries to find proof, murders occur with frightening frequency. Strong language and violence. 1993.

Nest of Vipers RC 40018
by Linda Davies
read by Patricia Kilgarriff
3 cassettes
Bartrop from Counter-Narcotics Crime suspects his target, Mafia-connected Anthony Fieri, is now involved in an insider trading scheme. To trap him, Bartrop asks the governor of the Bank of England to recruit a top foreign-exchange trader to spy on colleagues. They pick Sarah Jensen but don't tell her about the mob ties. When her friends start dying, she realizes she's been set up. Strong language, violence, and descriptions of sex. 1995.

The Paperboy RC 40019
by Pete Dexter
read by L.J. Ganser
2 cassettes
Jack James narrates this tale of his newspaper family's involvement in an effort to prove Hillary Van Wetter innocent of the murder of Sheriff Thurmond Call. Ward James, now a reporter in Miami, returns to Moat County, Florida, with his writing partner Yardley Acheman, at the request of Charlotte Bless, who has fallen in love with the accused man. As they investigate, they discover much about their own family. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1995.

The Bank of Fear RC 40022
by David Ignatius
read by George Holmes
3 cassettes
In London, Filipino cook Ramon Pinta pleads with Sam Hoffman to help him prove that his Iraqi employer, Nasir Hammoud, killed Pinta's wife. Explaining that he is a financial investigator only, Hoffman agrees to look into Hammoud's mysterious Coyote Investment. Hoffman finds an assistant in Coyote employee Lina Alwan, who will put her life in danger to expose Hammoud. Strong language and violence. 1994.

The Long Valley RC 40027
by John Steinbeck
read by Nick Sullivan
2 cassettes
Classic collection of stories set in California and first published in 1938, reflecting Steinbeck's interests in the tensions between workers and owners, past and present, and city and country. Included in this volume are Steinbeck's "Red Pony" stories: "The Gift," "The Great Mountains," "The Promise," and "The Leader of the People." 1938.

The Reverse of the Medal RC 40029
by Patrick O'Brian
read by Patrick Horgan
2 cassettes
Having successfully completed his mission in the Atlantic, Captain Jack Aubrey is now back in London. While there he makes some investments that suddenly put his career in jeopardy. Once again his ship's surgeon, Stephen Maturin, comes to his rescue. 1986.

Persistent Rumours RC 40030
by Lee Langley
read by Yolande Bavan
2 cassettes
James Oakley, a British geology professor, reluctantly accompanied by his wife, Daisy, returns to his island birthplace, 700 miles off the coast of India, in pursuit of the truth about his mother's disappearance while he was still a

boy. Similarities emerge in the marriage of this couple to that of James's parents more than sixty years earlier, especially the expectations that the husband and the wife have of each other. 1992.

The Shoemaker's Tale RC 40040
by Mark Ari
read by Richard Davidson
1 cassette
Meir is only four when he and his sister become orphans in eighteenth-century Warsaw. They fend for themselves until Meir is old enough to be apprenticed to an uncle, who is a shoemaker. Eventually Meir leaves home in search of the Baal Shem Tov, a Jewish mystic. Meir's experiences in the real world teach him hard lessons about the spiritual life, which he pursues until his return to Warsaw. 1993.

Ladder of Years RC 40054
by Anne Tyler
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
3 cassettes
Forty-year-old Delia Grinstead has always lived in her late father's Baltimore house. She is married to her physician father's former assistant, and their youngest child is in high school. When Delia is attracted to a younger man she meets in the market, she begins to question her comfortable life. On a whim, she walks away from a family vacation and begins a new life in a small town as the efficient Miss Grinstead. 1995.

The Father of a Murderer RC 40147
by Alfred Andersch
read by Robert Blumenfeld
1 cassette
In this autobiographical tale, Franz Kien is an eighth-grade student whose Greek class is interrupted one day by the school's headmaster, who is Heinrich Himmler's father. The headmaster takes over the class and begins teaching a political lesson by drilling several students and devastating some for their poor academic ability. Then Himmler turns on Franz and begins to destroy him. 1980.

Who Will Run the Frog Hospital? RC 40148
by Lorrie Moore
read by Catherine Byers
1 cassette
As Berie tries to salvage her marriage on a trip to Paris, she reflects on another pivotal relationship in her life. At fifteen, Berie worshipped her best friend Sils. When they both got jobs at a local amusement park, they put aside their pastime of rescuing frogs shot by neighbor boys and began more daring escapades. More developed, Sils attracted trouble, and loyal Berie stood by to bail her out. Strong language. Bestseller 1994.

Murder at Monticello; or, Old Sins RC 40219
by Rita Mae and Sneaky Pie Brown
read by Laura Giannarelli
2 cassettes
Companion to *Rest in Pieces (RC 38266)*. Postmistress of Crozet, Virginia, Mary Haristeen, aka Harry, is intrigued when the skeleton of an apparently rich man is unearthed during restoration of Monticello's slave quarters. When archaeologist Kimball Haynes is murdered while investigating the long-ago death, Harry's cat, Mrs. Murphy; her corgi, Tee Tucker; and assorted friends help her discover who has something to hide. Strong language and some violence. 1994.

Books for Children

Books listed in this issue of *Talking Book Topics* were recently sent to cooperating libraries. The complete collection contains books by many authors on fiction and nonfiction subjects, including animals, geography, nature, mystery, sports, and others. Contact your cooperating library to learn more about the wide range of books available in the collection.

In this listing, cassette books are labeled with the code RC and play at 15/16 ips. To order books, fill out the order form and send it to your cooperating library.

Cassettes Nonfiction

The Moon of the Owls: The Thirteen Moons, New Edition RC 38467
by Jean Craighead George
read by Celeste Lawson
1 cassette
The great horned owl is a magnificent bird of prey. On a cold January night in the Catskill Mountains, an owl awakens under the full moon. He stares at the six square miles of property—forest, fields, and swamp—that he claims to be his own. Suddenly, he feels an exciting need to be on the move. It is the stirring to mate during January, the moon of beginnings. For grades 3-6 and older readers. 1993.

The Moon of the Bears: The Thirteen Moons, New Edition RC 38469
by Jean Craighead George
read by Celeste Lawson
1 cassette
A black bear, asleep in a shallow den in a Tennessee wilderness, begins to awaken after three days of warm February weather start the snow thawing. As a freeze returns at nightfall, the bear sleeps again. Bears are not true hibernators: they awaken if hungry and on warm days during winter. But mostly, they sleep. February is the month of awakening and sleeping, the "moon of the bears." For grades 3-6 and older readers. 1993.

The Moon of the Salamanders: The Thirteen Moons, New Edition RC 38752
by Jean Craighead George
read by Celeste Lawson
1 cassette
On a wet March night—the night of the first spring rain after the first spring thaw—a spotted salamander in Michigan comes out of hibernation to act out a strange mating drama that is more than 300 million years old. Hidden in caves and under rocks and logs, and moving around only in the darkest hours of the night, salamanders have evolved but little from the first salamanders on earth. For grades 3-6 and older readers. 1992.

The Moon of the Chickarees: The Thirteen Moons, New Edition RC 38753
by Jean Craighead George
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
Red squirrels, who live across North America, are known as the chatterboxes of the forest, and they scream and scold to protect their rights. The author describes the activities of a feisty red squirrel, called a chickaree in the West, during the month of April. Now she is particularly frantic and loud as she nurtures her newborns in the Bitterroot River valley in Montana. For grades 3-6 and older readers. 1992.

The Moon of the Monarch Butterflies: The Thirteen Moons, New Edition
RC 38754
by Jean Craighead George
read by Susan McInerney
1 cassette
The warm, moist weather and lengthening days of May that trigger the migration of birds in groups of uncountable numbers also cause a monarch butterfly's solitary migration. She leaves her winter home in Mexico and flies northeast, on her way to the place where she was born—a meadowland in Ontario, Canada. Along the way she mates and lays eggs that will hatch, repeating the life cycle. For grades 3-6 and older readers. 1993.

The Moon of the Fox Pups: The Thirteen Moons, New Edition RC 38755
by Jean Craighead George
read by Celeste Lawson
1 cassette
Five fox pups, nine weeks old, are brought out of their den in Pennsylvania's Cumberland Valley by the dog fox and vixen—their father and mother. June is the "growing up" month for the pups—when they will explore the woods and fields with their parents and learn to hunt so that by fall they will be ready to survive on their own. For grades 3-6 and older readers. 1992.

The Moon of the Wild Pigs: The Thirteen Moons, New Edition RC 38756
by Jean Craighead George
read by Susan McInerney
1 cassette
On a July morning in the Great American Desert, as temperatures soar over 100 degrees Fahrenheit, a peccary piglet stands lost and squealing for his clan. In the Northern Hemisphere, July is the hottest and driest time of the year—with violent thunderstorms. These conditions are most extreme in the desert, where the piglet learns the discomfort of aloneness and explores his environment. For grades 3-6 and older readers. 1992.

The Moon of the Mountain Lions: The Thirteen Moons, New Edition
RC 38757
by Jean Craighead George
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
A young mountain lion who lives on the side of Mount Olympus in Washington tastes the August wind with his tongue and his nose. It tastes of change—the change of the season as fall brings the down-mountain migration of the elk and the deer. They are the young lion's staff of life, and he had followed them up-mountain in the spring. It is also time for the young lion to find a mate. For grades 3-6 and older readers. 1991.

The Moon of the Deer: The Thirteen Moons, New Edition RC 38758
by Jean Craighead George
read by Barbara Rappaport
1 cassette
A young, white-tailed spiked buck who lives in the Mamacoke Marsh of Connecticut meets the challenges of September. These include the territorial challenge of older male deer as the mating season approaches, the challenge to eat a rich diet to prepare for the winter, and the challenge of weathering a hurricane. For grades 3-6 and older readers. 1992.

The Moon of the Alligators: The Thirteen Moons, New Edition RC 38759
by Jean Craighead George
read by Celeste Lawson
1 cassette
The six-foot alligator that lives in Sawgrass Hole in the Florida Everglades is hungry. She has eaten little since June, when the rainy season flooded her water hole and the wildlife she fed upon left. Now it is October, the beginning of the dry season in southern Florida. The water will fall, and the fish, frogs, and birds will come back to Sawgrass Hole. For grades 3-6 and older readers. 1991.

The Moon of the Gray Wolves: The Thirteen Moons, New Edition RC 38760
by Jean Craighead George
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
The leader of the Toklat River wolf pack—which included his mate, three adult helpers, and five pups—sniffed the subzero November air heavy with the scent of caribou. A herd 1,000 strong was approaching Toklat Pass in Alaska on their yearly migration. The gray wolves would strike down for food the sick, weak, or old, and the pups would have the major test of their first year of life. For grades 3-6 and older readers. 1991.

The Moon of the Winter Bird: The Thirteen Moons, New Edition RC 38761
by Jean Craighead George
read by Celeste Lawson
1 cassette
During the cold of December, a song sparrow sits in a blue spruce tree near a yellow house not far from the Olentangy River in Ohio. The sparrow should have been in Alabama as he had been every other winter with the other song sparrows. Nature had given him the clues to leave, but he did not. He had become a "winter bird" staying with those who live in the cold of the North. For grades 3-6 and older readers. 1992.

The Moon of the Moles: The Thirteen Moons, New Edition RC 38762
by Jean Craighead George
read by Barbara Rappaport
1 cassette
The little eastern mole, silvery-brown and as small as a child's hand, lives two feet under the ground near Crooked Creek, Kansas. Awakened by earth tremors, she speeds in total darkness along one of the tunnels in her underground network. The author calls the moon of December-January, when the nights are darkest in the Northern Hemisphere, the moon of the moles. For grades 3-6 and older readers. 1992.

Coming-of-Age: Traditions and Rituals around the World RC 38981
by Karen Liptak
read by Don Feldheim
1 cassette
The author begins with a discussion of adolescence and puberty and explains how each society interprets adolescence according to its requirements. She then discusses special coming-of-age rituals in specific groups and societies. Chapters include "Native American Coming-of-Age Rituals," "Coming-of-Age among World Religions," and "Industrialized Countries Today." For grades 6-9 and older readers. 1994.

Tinker vs. Des Moines: Student Rights on Trial RC 39451
by Doreen Rappaport
read by Andy Chappell
1 cassette
By 1965, 200,000 Americans were fighting in a war in Vietnam. Many Americans did not support the war. In Des Moines, Iowa, a dozen high school students were suspended for protesting the war, and three sued school officials for violating their right to free speech. Briefs and testimonies from the case, which reached the Supreme Court, are provided to challenge critical thinking. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 1993.

An Elephant Never Forgets Its Snorkel: How Animals Survive without Tools and Gadgets RC 39567
by Lisa Gollin Evans
read by John Stratton
1 cassette
Humans use straws; hummingbirds use their long beaks and tongues. Humans use fly swatters to swat flies; elephants use their tails. The author discusses eighteen analogies between human and animal behavior, showing how animals use their bodies rather than the tools, gadgets, and equipment that people use. For grades 3-6. 1992.

Wilma Mankiller: Principal Chief of the Cherokees RC 39616
by Melissa Schwarz
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
1 cassette
Mankiller, born in Oklahoma in 1945, spent her adolescence in California. The 1969 occupation of Alcatraz Island by Native American activists led to her involvement in Indian affairs and her growing commitment to the rights and needs of the Indian community. She was so effective that, in 1985, she became the first woman to hold the office of principal chief of the Cherokee Nation. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 1994.

Never Take a Pig to Lunch: And Other Poems about the Fun of Eating RC 39647
selected by Nadine Bernard Westcott
read by Bob Askey
1 cassette
A collection of nearly sixty humorous poems about food and eating. There are poems about school lunches, picnics, and manners and about baloney, a sliver of liver, oodles of noodles, and fudge. For grades K-3 and older readers. 1994.

Roberto Clemente: Baseball Superstar RC 39652
by Carol Greene
read by Erik Sandvold
1 cassette
Roberto Clemente was born in Puerto Rico in 1934. As a boy, he would rather play baseball than eat. In high school he became a star athlete, and in 1954 Clemente was recruited to play baseball for the Brooklyn Dodgers. He joined the Pittsburgh Pirates and helped them to win two World Series. Clemente gave lots of money to charity, and he died in 1972 while on a mission to help earthquake victims. For grades 2-4. 1991.

Margaret Mead RC 39789
by Rafael Tilton
read by Michele Schaeffer
1 cassette
Describes Mead's achievements and personal life. The anthropologist, who lived from 1901 to 1978, began her career by studying adolescent behavior in Samoa. She went on to study five other

cultures and to write about marriage, child-rearing, education, prejudice, and world health. Raised in Philadelphia by a mother and grandmother who were both career women, Mead divorced three times and had one child. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 1994.

Jack Horner: Living with Dinosaurs
RC 39834
by Don Lessem
read by Miranda Daniloff
1 cassette
Jack Horner knew from the day he found his first dinosaur fossil on his father's ranch in Montana that he wanted to study dinosaurs when he grew up. Although he flunked out of college an amazing seven times, he listened to anyone who knew anything about dinosaurs and went to museums to study more about them until he became an expert paleontologist, just like the scientists in Jurassic Park. For grades 4-7. 1994.

On Wings of Joy: The Story of Ballet from the Sixteenth Century to Today
RC 39840
by Trudy Garfunkel
read by Anne Hancock
1 cassette
History of an art that tells a story without words: ballet. Garfunkel describes how a dance tradition that began in Europe more than four centuries ago has changed; introduces ballet stars, composers, and choreographers; and describes details such as how ballet slippers are made and how classical ballet differs from modern dance. For grades 6-9. 1994.

The Gemayels RC 40004
by Matthew S. Gordon
read by Ken Kliban
1 cassette
Provides background information on Lebanon, whose capital, Beirut, was a financial and intellectual center for the entire Middle East before the outbreak of civil war in 1975. Chronicles the rise of the Gemayel family, which became a leading Maronite Christian clan. In 1982 Bashir Gemayel was elected president of Lebanon. Assassinated one month later, he was succeeded by his brother, Amin Gemayel. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 1988.

Brown Honey in Broomwheat Tea: Poems
RC 40134
by Joyce Carol Thomas
read by Robin Miles
1 cassette
A dozen poems evoking visions of an African American home that knows love, sadness, hard times, joy, pain, pride, fear, togetherness, separation, and hope. The verses converge to create an image of tea slowly brewing, a symbol of the author's family. For grades K-3. 1993.

Cassettes Fiction

Tell Me Everything RC 38091
by Carolyn Coman
read by Janet Daley
1 cassette
Up until five months ago, Roz, twelve, and her mother, Ellie, lived a secluded, spiritual life together in the mountains. When Ellie suddenly dies trying to rescue a hiker, Roz moves in with her uncle Mike, a Vietnam veteran. School is meaningless, as Roz struggles with her

feelings of desertion. She is driven to find the boy that Ellie died for, and demands to know everything that he knows about the incident. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 1993.

The Foxman RC 38442
by Gary Paulsen
read by Michael Kramer
1 cassette
A boy is sent by a judge to live with the boy's uncle on a farm in northern Minnesota. While fox hunting, the boy and his cousin, Carl, take shelter in the shack of a man with a horribly mutilated face—so hideous that he keeps it covered with a mask. Happy to leave the next morning, the boy remains curious about the man, who is kind and generous, and returns to learn more about him. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 1977.

Baby RC 38468
by Patricia MacLachlan
read by Barbara Rappaport
1 cassette
Larkin, twelve, and her family find a baby abandoned at their door. A note explains that the baby's name is Sophie, that she's nearly a year old, and that "I will come back for her one day. I love her." Larkin, her parents, and her grandmother cannot help but love Sophie. She releases a sadness that had remained unspoken and divisive—a baby boy born six months earlier had lived for only one day. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 1993.

Jennifer Murdley's Toad: A Magic Shop Book RC 38734
by Bruce Coville
read by Mimi Bederman
1 cassette
Jennifer, a fifth grader with few friends, longs to be beautiful. While being chased by a group of teasing girls, she finds herself on a street she's never seen before and enters a magic shop. Mr. Elives, the owner, persuades her to buy a toad. Jennifer does not know that Bufo is a talking toad hatched from the mouth of a witch and that she is in for a series of extraordinary adventures. For grades 3-6 and older readers. 1992.

Owl in Love RC 38770
by Patrice Kindl
read by Barbara Rappaport
1 cassette
"I am Owl. It is my name as well as my nature," announces fourteen-year-old Owl Tycho. Born to simple witches, Owl has shape-shifting abilities (a condition that runs in her family) and is a suburban high school girl by day and a barn owl by night. She has fallen in love with her science teacher, Mr. Lindstrom, and keeps a nightly vigil outside his window as she pursues her ill-fated infatuation. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 1993.

Winter Camp RC 38850
by Kirkpatrick Hill
read by Catherine Byers
1 cassette
When their parents die, Alaskan children Toughboy and Sister move in with neighbor Natasha. She teaches them old Athabascan Indian ways and superstitions. Taking them to her winter trapping cabin, she tells them to leave their textbooks behind—they'll be in a different kind of school. Then an accident challenges the children to combine the old and new ways. Sequel to *Toughboy and Sister (RC 36668)*. Some strong language. For grades 3-6 and older readers. 1993.

Thunder Rolling in the Mountains
RC 38901
by Scott O'Dell and Elizabeth Hall
read by June Carter
1 cassette
In 1877 the United States Army forced the Nez Perce tribe off its homeland and onto the reservation. The disagreement within the tribe over whether or not to resist; the heartbreak and pain of leaving; and the defiance, heroism, and eventual defeat are narrated by fourteen-year-old Sound of Running Feet, the daughter of Chief Joseph—leader of the Nez Perce. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 1992.

Is Underground RC 39525
by Joan Aiken
read by Patricia Kilgarriff
2 cassettes
Is Twite is searching for her cousin, Arun, and Davie Stuart, the king's own son. The two boys vanished in London, where, in fact, many children have been disappearing under mysterious circumstances—especially after seeking a ride on the Playland Express. Trying to fulfill a deathbed promise to her uncle, Is boards the train and discovers the horrible fate that awaits its riders. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 1992.

The Outside Dog RC 39556
by Charlotte Pomerantz
read by Ed Blake
1 cassette
Marisol, who lives in Puerto Rico in a little village on a hillside, has always wanted a dog. But her *abuelito* won't allow it. Grandfather says that dogs have "fleas and ticks and who knows what." There are many stray dogs living on the hill. One day Marisol finds a skinny brown mutt with perky ears and huge brown eyes sitting near their home. She names him Pancho, and he steals her heart—and *abuelito's* too. For grades 2-4. 1993.

Bigger RC 39559
by Patricia Calvert
read by John Stratton
1 cassette
The Civil War is over, but Tyler is still waiting for his father, Black Jack Bohannon, to return to their Missouri home. Hearing of Confederate soldiers who, rather than surrender, are moving into Mexico to gather their forces, Tyler decides that Black Jack must be among them and begins an 800-mile trip to the Rio Grande. Along the way he adopts Bigger, an abused dog, and together they confront incredible hardships. For grades 4-7 and older readers. 1994.

Flour Babies RC 39568
by Anne Fine
read by John Horton
1 cassette
The boys of Room 8 at St. Boniface School are known as the Sads and the Bads, troublemakers and nuisances. They have been assigned a science project—flour babies. Each boy is to take full responsibility for a six-pound bag of flour for three weeks. Keeping the flour babies safe, clean, and dry proves too much for the boys, except Simon Martin. Deserted by his dad when he was a baby, Simon becomes attached to his charge and gains wisdom. For grades 5-8. 1992.

The Gold of Dreams RC 39582
by José María Merino
read by Christopher Hurt
1 cassette
Miguel Villacé Yólotl, fifteen, longs to live up to the legacy of his Spanish con-

quistador father, who disappeared eleven years ago on an expedition. Miguel's Indian mother reluctantly allows him to leave their quiet Mexican village with his father's old compatriots on a mission to find a city of gold. Miguel finds the truth about his father's disappearance and unsettling new wisdom grounded in his mixed heritage. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 1986.

Many Moons RC 39639
by James Thurber
read by Bob Askey
1 cassette (Reissue)
Princess Lenore, who is ten going on eleven, falls ill from eating too many raspberry tarts. When her father, the King, promises her anything that will make her well, Princess Lenore asks for the moon. For grades K-3. Caldecott Medal. 1943.

Tales of a Fourth-Grade Nothing RC 39643
by Judy Blume
read by Erik Sandvold
1 cassette (Reissue)
Peter finds his two-year-old brother an ever-increasing problem as the child proceeds to get lost at the movies and eats Peter's pet turtle. For grades 3-6. 1972.

Radical Red RC 39815
by James Duffy
read by Michele Schaeffer
1 cassette
Susan B. Anthony comes to the capitol in Albany, New York, in 1894 to persuade the state constitutional convention that women have a right to vote. Twelve-year-old Connor O'Shea, who is teaching her Irish mother how to read, thinks the women wearing the "radical red" ribbons are right, but she has to hide her thoughts from her dad, who has his own ideas about what women can and cannot do. For grades 5-8. 1993.

The Fire Bug Connection: An Ecological Mystery RC 39816
by Jean Craighead George
read by Grainne Cassidy
1 cassette
Maggie Mercer is spending the summer with her parents at a research center in Maine where she enjoys studying insects in the area. As Maggie leans out of her window the morning of her twelfth birthday, a raven flies straight toward her, and Maggie recalls her grandmother's warning that a murder will take place if that happens. Then the firebugs in Maggie's collection begin to die. For grades 3-6. 1993.

Tiger Soup: An Anansi Story from Jamaica RC 39838
retold by Frances Temple
read by Diane Page
1 cassette
Tales of how hungry Anansi the spider tricks Tiger out of the sweet soup he has just made, and how the little monkeys end up living in trees. For preschool-grade 2. 1994.

The Last Giants RC 39847
by François Place
read by Patricia Martin
1 cassette
Nineteenth-century explorer Archibald Ruthmore writes in his journal of purchasing what appears to be a giant tooth. There is a map sketched on it. After braving treacherous rivers, dangerous jungles, and the loss of all his crew, Ruthmore alone discovers nine giants, the last survivors of a gentle race. Ruthmore stays for a year, then returns

to England. There his quest for acclaim proves fatal to his newfound friends. For grades 3-6 and older readers. 1992.

Coco Grimes RC 40002
by Mary Stolz
read by Michael Pinney
1 cassette
Thomas and Grandfather take a two-hundred-mile car trip to Miami to visit an old friend and, most important, to talk to Coco Grimes, a former Negro League baseball player. Thomas, a baseball fanatic, is very excited about meeting someone who played with such legends as Josh Gibson and Satchel Paige. But Coco Grimes is now quite old and their meeting proves bitter-sweet. Companion to *Stealing Home (RC 37478)*. For grades 3-6. 1994.

Flip-Flop Girl RC 40003
by Katherine Paterson
read by Suzanne Toren
1 cassette
Sorrow and loneliness sweep over Vinnie, nine, and Mason, five, after their father dies and they move from Washington to their grandmother's home in Virginia. Mason has not spoken since his father's funeral, and their mother, overwhelmed with worry, pays little attention to Vinnie. She is drawn to a girl at school who wears orange flip-flops. Lupe, strong and supportive, has also suffered tragedy. For grades 3-6 and older readers. 1994.

Ever After RC 40013
by Rachel Vail
read by Nona Pipes
1 cassette
Molly, almost fourteen, and Vicky, year-round residents of Leeward Island, have been best friends all their lives. Then Grace, a sophisticated New Yorker vacationing for the summer, threatens their apparently cozy relationship. Gradually it appears that their friendship is already fatally flawed. Vicky, intensely jealous, angry, and manipulative, unforgivably betrays Molly's trust. Some strong language. For grades 5-8. 1994.

Night Terrors RC 40015
by Jim Murphy
read by John Stratton
1 cassette
Five horror stories surrounded by episodes from the odd career of the narrator, known as Digger because he digs graves. Ostensibly told to Digger by various persons he has encountered on the job, the tales are populated with a wide assortment of vampires, mummies, and cannibals. Digger's expansive comments provide humor and atmosphere, particularly in the final chapters when Digger's own life takes a ghastly turn. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 1993.

The Secret Super Powers of Marco RC 40024
by Meredith Sue Willis
read by Michael Pinney
1 cassette
Ever since he was three and fell, jumped, or flew through a window wearing a red cape, Marco has been convinced that he has secret super powers. The new kid in his fourth-grade class in a tough, inner-city neighborhood, Marco uses his super powers to befriend Tyrone, the class bully. Marco and Tyrone share several adventures, and their friendship helps to nurture the confidence and self-esteem of both boys. For grades 3-6 and older readers. 1994.

Centerfield Ballhawk RC 40025
by Matt Christopher
read by Michael Pinney
1 cassette
José Mendez believes that he is a disappointment to his father, a former minor-league baseball player with a .375 batting average. Although José loves the sport as much as his father and practices very hard, he is not very good at hitting the ball. His sister, Carmen, is a brighter star on his softball team than he is. For grades 2-4. 1992.

Someone to Count On RC 40026
by Patricia Hermes
read by Suzanne Toren
1 cassette
Samantha longs for a settled home and friends, but her widowed mother, Elizabeth, is always moving—searching for new places and novel things to try. When Elizabeth suddenly decides to return to her father's ranch in Colorado, it seems Sam's dream of stability is about to come true. Sam has never met her grandfather and finds him grouchy, but they become close, and Sam discovers what really matters most. For grades 5-8. 1993.

The Glory Field RC 40028
by Walter Dean Myers
read by Nick Sullivan
2 cassettes
Follows the two-hundred-fifty-year history of a family through the lives of six teenagers. The story begins in 1753 when Muhammad Bilal is brought to the colonies as a slave and begins work on Curry Island, South Carolina. The story continues with Lizzy in 1864, Elijah in 1900, Luvenia in 1930, Tommy in 1964, and finally Malcolm in 1994, as each does her or his part to sustain the eight acres of land the family calls the Glory Field. For grades 5-8. 1994.

Scooter RC 40036
by Vera B. Williams
read by Catherine Byers
1 cassette
Elana Rose Rosen and her mother have just moved to an apartment in New York City. On her prized scooter with the silver and blue stripes, Elana excitedly explores her surroundings. New friends, old friends, a winning field day, and a silent, young friend (Petey, with whom she enjoys a special relationship) fill her days as she fills sheet after sheet of paper with her experiences, acrostics, and drawings. For grades 3-6. 1993.

My Sister Is Driving Me Crazy RC 40037
by Mary E. Ryan
read by Nona Pipes
1 cassette
It'a not just a sister but an identical twin who is driving Mattie, thirteen, crazy. She's had enough of being called Pru's name, of being goaded into cover-up activities by her more forceful twin, of not having a separate identity. There is also cute Cam Davis, who has moved in next door, piquing the interest of both girls. And there's Nelson Richfield, the class nerd, who makes Mattie feel valued as an individual. For grades 6-9. 1991.

The Chimney Sweep's Ransom RC 40072
by Dave and Neta Jackson
read by George Holmes
1 cassette
1700s. Like many poor English children, Ned, thirteen, has worked in the coal mines to help support his family since he was five. His brother, Pip, will soon

turn five, and Ned does not want him forced into the mines. When Ned is injured, Pip is "sold" to a chimney sweep. Ned, however, is determined to find Pip and in his search meets preacher John Wesley, founder of Methodism. For grades 3-6 and older readers. 1992.

Escape from the Slave Traders
RC 40073
by Dave and Neta Jackson
read by George Holmes
1 cassette
1860s. Wikatani and Chuma, out grazing their sheep near the cool waters of Lake Shirwa, are suddenly captured by slave traders known as "Red Caps." The boys' cries for help cannot be heard by their village; they are now the property of their cruel captors. But the Red Caps make the mistake of leaving the boys in the care of David Livingstone, a British official and missionary opposed to the slave trade. For grades 3-6 and older readers. Some violence. 1992.

Song of the Trees RC 40146
by Mildred D. Taylor
read by Robin Miles
1 cassette
Cassie, a young African American girl, loves the giant trees that surround her rural Mississippi home. The trees are her friends and they sing to her a special song. But the nation is in the Great Depression and times are very hard. Her father has to go to Louisiana to work for the railroad, and that is when the trouble starts. Mr. Andersen is determined to force Big Ma to sell the ancient trees. For grades 3-6 and older readers. 1975.

Under the Black Flag RC 40160
by Erik Christian Haugaard
read by Tom Martin
1 cassette
In 1716 William Bernard is sailing to England to be educated when his ship is attacked by the pirate Blackbeard and William is kidnapped for ransom. Blackbeard's ship meets that of the pirate Major Bonnet, whose son and slave, Sam, becomes William's fast friend. When Blackbeard callously abandons his vessel and some of his crew, he provides an opportunity for William and Sam to escape. Some violence. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 1993.

Foreign Language Books

The following cassette titles are available in the languages designated.

Spanish

La Casa del Angel RC 38822
por Beatriz Guido
leído por Maria Pino
1 cassette
Ana Castro vive con su padre político y su madre religiosa en una gran casa de fin de siglo que tiene la estatua de un ángel en el balcón del primer piso. Ana ha vivido encerrada y protegida, pero en el transcurso de su transformación de adolescente en mujer, comienza a sentir las fuerzas conflictivas de la vida, el amor y la religión convergiendo dentro de ella. Novela de la autora argentina. (Ana Castro lives with her politician father and religious mother in a rambling fin-de-siècle house that has the statue of an angel on the first-floor balcony. Ana has been confined and protected, but as she changes from an adolescent into a young woman, she begins to feel the conflicting forces of life, love, and religion converging within herself. Novel by the Argentinian author.) 1955.

Catalina la Grande, Emperatriz de Todas las Rusias RC 38823
por Fernando Díaz-Plaja
leído por by Juan Ramirez
2 cassettes
Biografía de la princesa alemana del Siglo XVIII quien, a través de su matrimonio con Pedro III, se convirtió en la Zarina de todas las Rusias en 1762, hasta su muerte en 1796. Famosa por sus muchas relaciones amorosas, así como por su habilidad intelectual y sus astucias políticas que expandieron el imperio ruso, Catalina es considerada una de las más poderosas mujeres de toda la historia. (Biography of the eighteenth-century German princess who through her marriage to Peter III was the czarina of all the Russias from 1762 until her death in 1796. Famous for her many love affairs as well as for her intellectual prowess and astute policies that expanded the Russian empire, Catherine is considered one of the most powerful women in all of history.) 1990.

El Imperio Romano RC 38824
por Isaac Asimov
leído por Juan Ramirez
3 cassettes
Un examen histórico del Imperio Romano que abarca 500 años, desde Augusto hasta desintegración final del imperio en occidente. (A historical survey of the Roman Empire encompassing 500 years from Augustus to the final disintegration of the empire in the west.) 1967.

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In the 1930s, two brothers live on a New Mexico ranch with their parents. After trapping a pregnant wolf who wandered in from Mexico, sixteen-year-old Billy takes her back to her home. He returns to find the ranch plundered and his younger brother Boyd all that remains of his family. The two go back to Mexico and life-changing experiences. Companion to *All the Pretty Horses (RC 34043)*. Strong language and violence. Bestseller 1994.

Downtown FD 39871
by Anne Rivers Siddons
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
8 flexible discs
Atlanta, 1966. Maureen "Smoky" O'Donnell, twenty-six, a talented young writer, has come from the docks of Savannah to work for Matt Comfort on Atlanta's new magazine, *Downtown*. Smoky quickly becomes one of Comfort's People; they work together and they party together. But she becomes torn between two polar opposites—the aristocrats and the blacks who are in the civil rights movement. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1994.

From Fields of Gold FD 39872
by Alexandra Ripley
read by Yvonne Fair Tessler
9 flexible discs
Nate Richardson, a North Carolina tobacco farmer, travels to Virginia to acquire the patent for a cigarette-rolling machine from Mr. Augustus Standish. The price tag is marriage to Mr. Standish's granddaughter Chess. This marriage of convenience becomes a business partnership that puts Nate on top of the tobacco industry. But the marriage is in danger when his past comes back to haunt him. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1994.

Born in Fire FD 39873
by Nora Roberts
read by Mary Woods
6 flexible discs
Maggie Concannon is a glass artist who pours her heart and soul into her creations and enjoys working alone. Then her work comes to the attention of Rogan Sweeney, an art gallery owner, and her world is turned upside down. Maggie quickly becomes an international sensation but wonders if her new-found fame is worth the change in her lifestyle. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1994.

Original Sin FD 39874
by P.D. James
read by David Hartley-Margolin
9 flexible discs
Adam Dalgliesh and his Scotland Yard cohorts are looking into murders at Innocent House, the offices of London publishing house Peverell Press. On her first day of work, temporary typist Mandy Price finds the body of editor Sonia Clements. Soon the managing director, Gerard Etienne, is found dead with the office mascot, stuffed snake Hissing Sid, in his mouth. Also a manuscript has been altered and some illustrations have disappeared. Bestseller 1994.

Border Music FD 39875
by Robert James Waller
read by Bob Askey
4 flexible discs
Texas Jack Carmine is a wandering man who spends very little time on his one-horse ranch in Texas. He happens to be in Dillon, Minnesota, one autumn night in 1986, when a man rips off Linda Lobo's G-string instead of putting money in it. Jack attacks the man, and he and Linda run out the back door and keep on going. Thus begins an odyssey that takes Jack back into his troubled past. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1995.

Acceptable Risk FD 39876
by Robin Cook
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
7 flexible discs
In 1692, Elizabeth Stewart is hanged as a witch in Salem after a young girl in her care experiences hallucinations. Now, 300 years later, Elizabeth's descendant Kim Stewart, who inherited Elizabeth's house, is dating a scientist who suspects a mold on Elizabeth's rye caused the problem. His search leads to the discovery of a possible antidepressant, but his odd behavior is scaring Kim. Violence and some strong language. Bestseller 1994.

Let Me Call You Sweetheart FD 39878
by Mary Higgins Clark
read by Mary Woods
5 flexible discs
When prosecutor Kerry McGrath takes her injured daughter to plastic surgeon Charles Smith, she is puzzled by two women in his waiting room who look eerily familiar. She soon realizes they are replicas of Smith's daughter, Suzanne Reardon, who was murdered ten years ago. Remembering it was Smith's testimony that pinned the murder on Reardon's husband, McGrath reopens the case, even though it puts her career in jeopardy. Bestseller 1995.

The Rainmaker FD 39879
by John Grisham
read by Chuck Benson
9 flexible discs
Before Rudy Baylor graduates from law school and starts his new job, he must

provide free legal advice at a senior center. His clients are a couple whose grown son is dying of leukemia and whose insurance company has abandoned them. Rudy's excitement over their promising case is dashed by the news that his much-needed job offer has been withdrawn. And that's only the beginning of his bad-luck streak. Some strong language. Bestseller 1995.

The Carousel FD 39880
by Belva Plain
read by Jill Ferris
6 flexible discs
The Greys of Grey's Food are well respected in their community. Patriarch Oliver Grey has retired, leaving the company to his sons Ian and Clive, niece Amanda, and nephew Dan. But there is trouble in the family. Soon many long-hidden skeletons begin to emerge, and the family is rocked by one tragedy after another. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1995.

Wings FD 39882
by Danielle Steel
read by Yvonne Fair Tessler
8 flexible discs
As a child, Cassie O'Malley knew that she wanted to be a pilot like her father. He refused to instruct her, so she got family friend and ace pilot Nick Galvin to give her lessons. Cassie becomes an outstanding pilot who enjoys participating in air shows. Desmond Williams sees her at one and offers her a job. Cassie accepts and becomes involved in an adventure bigger than she dreamed of. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1994.

The Glass Lake FD 39883
by Maeve Binchy
read by Jill Ferris
13 flexible discs
When handsome Louis Gray abandons Mary Helena Healy to marry a rich woman, "Helen" settles for Martin McMahon, a pharmacist in an Irish village. But after two children and a decidedly dull life, "Lena" is reunited with Louis. They both enjoy successful careers and the faster pace of London. But Lena longs for a relationship with her daughter, Kit, so she concocts a scheme whereby she can contact Kit but protect her true identity. Bestseller 1995.

McNally's Trial FD 39884
by Lawrence Sanders
read by Chuck Benson
5 flexible discs
Archy McNally, chief of Discreet Inquiries for McNally and Son, once again investigates the lives of the rich and famous in Palm Beach, Florida. Sunny Fogarty, comptroller of Whitcomb Funeral Homes, is concerned about the unfounded dramatic increase in profits. Archy quickly discovers that a large number of coffins are being mysteriously shipped north for burial. Some strong language. Bestseller 1995.

Sheba FD 39885
by Jack Higgins
read by Jim Zeiger
3 flexible discs
Hitler plans to attack Poland on September 1, 1939, and to blow up the Suez Canal the same day. John Cunningham, an archaeologist searching for the Temple of Sheba, is missing in Southern Arabia. His wife, Ruth, asks Gavin Kane, also an archaeologist, to help locate her husband. Kane finds the hus-

band, the temple—and the Nazis. Strong language. Bestseller 1995.

Cassettes Nonfiction

The New *Our Bodies, Ourselves*: A Book by and for Women; Updated and Expanded for the 1990s RC 38308
by The Boston Women's Health Book Collective
read by Madelyn Buzzard
11 cassettes
Updates previous editions from 1973 *(RC 13227)* and 1984 *(RC 22250)*. Covers physical, mental, and emotional health; sexuality; fertility and childbearing; and aging. Includes such 1990s' health issues as AIDS, new contraceptive methods, chronic fatigue, prenatal tests, and occupational health. Explicit descriptions of sex. 1992.

American Poetry; The Nineteenth Century, Volume 2: Herman Melville to Trumbull Stickney, American Indian Poetry, Folk Songs and Spirituals RC 38790
selected by John Hollander
read by Mary Kane
6 cassettes
This volume presents mid- and late-nineteenth-century poems by Herman Melville and Emily Dickinson; song lyrics such as "Jeanie with the Light Brown Hair" by Stephen Foster and "America the Beautiful" by Katharine Lee Bates; and a generous sampling of poems by Native and African Americans. 1993.

The Black Health Library Guide to Obesity RC 38846
by Mavis Thompson and Kirk A. Johnson
read by Robin Miles
2 cassettes
Doctor Thompson asserts that the black community suffers from an inordinate amount of serious illness and disease (including heart disease, diabetes, and hypertension) and that obesity, which is particularly prevalent among blacks, compounds these problems. This guide explains obesity: its physical, emotional, and social effects and methods of overcoming it. 1993.

The Black Health Library Guide to Diabetes RC 38847
by Lester Henry and Kirk A. Johnson
read by Frank Coffee
2 cassettes
The authors assert that one in ten African Americans has diabetes and half don't realize it. They believe that the black community has been disproportionately prone to diabetes since its culture was westernized, and that the problem is compounded by the prevalence of obesity and poverty among blacks. Outlines diabetes management that may reduce risk of other medical complications. 1993.

Literary Reflections: Michener on Michener, Hemingway, Capote, and Others RC 38912
by James A. Michener
read by Phil Regensdorf
1 cassette
A collage of poetry and prose that has been shaped over several decades. It includes two fragments originally published in limited editions in 1983: "Collectors, Forgers—and a Writer: A

Memoir," in which Michener recalls people who influenced his decisions early in his career; and "Testimony," his writing credo. His continuing studies take the form of opinions on other writers. 1993.

Fitness for the Aging Adult with Visual Impairment: An Exercise and Resource Manual RC 38928

by Mary Alice Ross
read by Sheena Gordon
1 cassette

A physical educator provides instructions on her program of exercises to improve flexibility, range of motion, muscular strength and endurance, balance, body tone, and cardiovascular endurance. The exercises are designed for aging adults with visual impairments, and many can be performed from a wheelchair. The manual addresses seniors, their families, and therapists. 1984.

You Are Not Alone: Words of Experience and Hope for the Journey through Depression RC 38929

by Julia Thorne and Larry Rothstein
read by Jeanne Evans
1 cassette

In 1980, at the age of thirty-six, Thorne was just minutes away from taking her own life. She was emotionally, physically, and spiritually exhausted by depression. In this book, Thorne integrates her story with those of other sufferers to advise persons who experience depression on the positive choices they can make. 1993.

Brilliant Idiot: An Autobiography of a Dyslexic RC 38931

by Abraham Schmitt and
Mary Lou Hartzler Clemens
read by Jeff Halberstadt
2 cassettes

The author portrays his difficulty in coping with a condition that he could not comprehend until he discovered in middle age that it was a serious learning disability. Born in a nearly illiterate Mennonite village in a Canadian prairie province, Schmitt suffered humiliation, confusion, and failure. Now he looks upon his handicap as something to survive, not resolve. 1992.

Sharing the Journey: Support Groups and America's New Quest for Community RC 39015

by Robert Wuthnow
read by Patricia Martin
4 cassettes

The author argues that the small-group movement is altering American society by changing the meanings of spirituality and community. By interviewing individuals in support groups and examining research data on group behavior, Wuthnow suggests that the trend, stressing personal growth over enduring demands, is an inevitable response to American individualism. 1994.

The Politics of Cruelty: An Essay on the Literature of Political Imprisonment RC 39027

by Kate Millett
read by Kimberly Schraf
2 cassettes

Author of *Sexual Politics (RC 14652)* and *The Loony Bin Trip (RC 32258)* surveys the modern history of physical and psychological torture and its use in citizen control. Beginning with Stalin and

Hitler, Millett gives specific examples of where torture has been used on incarcerated individuals such as black South Africans and victims in South America, Asia, and the Middle East. 1994.

Breakdown: Sex, Suicide, and the Harvard Psychiatrist RC 39029
by Eileen McNamara
read by Celeste Lawson
3 cassettes
After he entered Harvard Medical School, Paul Lozano experienced symptoms of depression and sought the help of psychiatrist Margaret Bean-Bayog. Declaring that Lozano had been abused as a child, she began an unusual therapy —mothering him. Shortly before Lozano committed suicide, his visiting sister discovered pages of sexual fantasies written by Bean-Bayog. Explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 1994.

Virginia: A Guide to the Old Dominion RC 39126
compiled by Writers' Program of the Work Projects Administration in the State of Virginia
read by Kerry Cundiff
8 cassettes
The WPA guide to late-1930s Virginia, sponsored by the Virginia Conservation Commission. Includes historical background information, directions for tours of the time, and descriptions of many of the cities. 1940.

You Don't Have to Be Your Mother RC 39133
by Gayle Feldman
read by Barbara Rappaport
2 cassettes
After years of trying to conceive, forty-year-old Feldman is eight months pregnant when she learns she has breast cancer. Her mother died early of the same disease, as did her husband's sister-in-law. Feldman describes her days-long induced labor with her son, Ben, and the subsequent mastectomy. After a cancer-free year, Feldman has a second, prophylactic mastectomy. The book's title is from an advertisement Feldman sees just after her diagnosis. 1994.

The New Ourselves, Growing Older: Women Aging with Knowledge and Power RC 39195
by Paula B. Doress-Worters
and Diane Laskin Siegal
read by Madelyn Buzzard
7 cassettes
Believing that "each of us can take an active role in our well-being as we age," the authors, in collaboration with The Boston Women's Health Book Collective, provide information on social, economic, health, and other issues that women face as they age. Aimed at women over forty, the text is supplemented by personal accounts and a resource directory. 1994.

A Natural History of Love RC 39205
by Diane Ackerman
read by Carole Jordan Stewart
3 cassettes
A companion to *A Natural History of the Senses (RC 31615)*. The author explores the physiology, culture, and literature associated with love—"the great intangible." Ackerman weaves interpretations of classic love stories, customs, emotions, eroticism, biographies of famous lovers, and personal experience into her analysis, in which she discusses topics as diverse as ancient courtship and modern sexual chic. Some explicit sexual terms. 1994.

Leonard Bernstein RC 39224
by Humphrey Burton
read by Mitzi Friedlander
6 cassettes
Portrait of a multifaceted American musician. The author dwells on the contrasts that made Bernstein a controversial figure—one who seemed equally at home in the classical and popular worlds; who was comfortable lecturing, performing, or conducting; who alternated marriage and a family with a homosexual private life; and whose flamboyant public image was often at odds with his introspective and reflective nature. 1994.

Prisoner of Love RC 39271
by Jean Genet
read by Peter Gil
3 cassettes
Autobiographical reveries from the final years of a French author who began writing in prison. Genet revels in his associations with rebellious groups, including the Palestinian Liberation Organization and the Black Panthers. The author maintains a certain detachment from which he observes and sympathizes. But, by his own account, he never quite surrenders to the political agendas of the groups that engage his interest. 1989.

Rebellions, Perversities, and Main Events RC 39288
by Murray Kempton
read by Terence Aselford
4 cassettes
A compendium of articles published over a thirty-year period. Kempton admires defiance, such as that displayed by Lillian Hellman before the House Committee on Un-American Activities. He confesses to harboring perverse thoughts about anyone who obtains an interview under false pretenses. And he notes how brief encounters, like sitting on a porch with Martin Luther King Jr., become life's turning points. 1994.

The Best Seat in the House: The Golden Years of Radio and Television RC 39351
by Pat Weaver and Thomas M. Coffey
read by John Rayburn
2 cassettes
Memoirs of a man whose career in the broadcast business coincided with the peak years of radio and the formative years of television. From his first job at a radio station in the 1930s, Weaver worked his way up to director of NBC television. He enjoyed close relationships with many media stars, and he is perhaps best known for creating the *Today* and the *Tonight* shows. 1993.

Don't Look Back: Satchel Paige in the Shadows of Baseball RC 39358
by Mark Ribowsky
read by Jake Williams
3 cassettes
Ribowsky picks through the tall tales that added to Paige's fame to piece together the facts about the black pitcher. Paige succeeded despite the "black-white problems" in the sport. From 1926 to 1947 he played in the Negro Leagues and then became the American League's first black pitcher. Advice from the "greatest pitcher who ever lived" includes "Don't look back, something might be gaining on you." Some strong language. 1994.

Snapshots from Hell: The Making of an MBA RC 39432
by Peter Robinson
read by Ray Foushee
2 cassettes
Writing this book was "a simple act of decency," according to Robinson, who

documents his decline from enthusiasm to despair during his first year in pursuit of a master's degree in business administration. He begins with the indignity of remedial courses before he even enters the program. The former White House speechwriter must then learn a whole new language. While it's downhill from there, he lived to tell the tale. 1994.

One Art: Letters RC 39435
by Elizabeth Bishop
read by Mitzi Friedlander
6 cassettes
Letters selected from hundreds written to more than fifty correspondents, including several poets, during half a century. Bishop refers frequently to her year as the consultant in poetry at the Library of Congress, appalled at the idea of doing "desk work" but delighted by visits from Dylan Thomas, Robert Frost, and others. She also writes about her affection for Lota, her companion for fifteen years. 1994.

Shot in the Heart RC 39437
by Mikal Gilmore
read by Ray Foushee
3 cassettes
A writer for *Rolling Stone* magazine, Mikal is also a younger brother of the late Gary Gilmore, who insisted on being executed after he killed two men. Now, when only Mikal and his oldest brother, Frank, remain, Mikal explains the true history of his family and "how its webwork of dark secrets and failed hopes helped create the legacy that, in part, became [his] brother's impetus to murder." Descriptions of sex, strong language, and some violence. 1994.

All the Trouble in the World: The Lighter Side of Overpopulation, Famine, Ecological Disaster, Ethnic Hatred, Plague, and Poverty RC 39446
by P.J. O'Rourke
read by Ray Foushee
3 cassettes
A political humorist traveled around the world to research topics he addresses here. His study includes overpopulation in Bangladesh (it has the same number of people as Fremont, California), famine in Somalia (where weight-loss doesn't make one look better), and ecology (remember a tree was killed to make your bed). Strong language. Bestseller 1994.

Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness RC 39452
by Peggy Noonan
read by Janis Gray
2 cassettes
A speechwriter for President Reagan takes a retrospective look at political culture and her own life since she left the White House. Some of the topics that Noonan ponders are her role as a single mother living in Manhattan, the Clinton-Bush campaign, and her quest for spiritual renewal. Noonan is the author of *What I Saw at the Revolution (RC 30709)*. Some strong language. 1994.

News and the Culture of Lying RC 39453
by Paul H. Weaver
read by Lou Harpenau
2 cassettes
Weaver believes that news should keep people informed about issues that affect their lives. However, he maintains that in most cases news becomes a fabrication of what journalists and officials

want the public to know or believe and is, therefore, often inaccurate. He asserts that news has become a case of "crisis and emergency response" without context or analysis, and he offers suggestions on how the media and the consumer can become better informed. 1994.

Lords of the Realm: The *Real* History of Baseball RC 39457
by John Helyar
read by Art Metzler
5 cassettes
An economic history of the game and how it is run by money. A reporter for the *Wall Street Journal* follows crucial moves since the 1960s and shows how each financial gesture made to players, agents, owners, and commissioners has resulted in an increasingly profitable industry. Some strong language. 1994.

The Revenge of God: The Resurgence of Islam, Christianity, and Judaism in the Modern World RC 39461
by Gilles Kepel
read by Lou Harpenau
2 cassettes
Extended essay by a French scholar examines a growing reaffirmation of faith among Islamic, Christian (Protestant and Catholic), and Judaic radicals. The author is convinced that such movements reflect a rejection of modernity and secularism. Kepel also suggests that there is a renewal of respect for sacred texts as a source of guidance for personal and political conduct. 1991.

From Yale to Jail: The Life Story of a Moral Dissenter RC 39467
by David Dellinger
read by Ray Foushee
3 cassettes
Memoirs of a peace activist who first noticed social injustice on his arrival at Yale in the middle of the Great Depression. Dellinger later did hard time for refusing to register for the draft. In 1968 he found himself amidst the Chicago Seven antiwar demonstrations during the Democratic Convention. He tells how he developed his ideas and how nonviolent principles have dominated his life. Strong language. 1993.

Uncommon Knowledge RC 39487
by Judy Lewis
read by Kimberly Schraf
3 cassettes
Growing up as Loretta Young's adopted daughter, Judy finally learns her true identity when her fiancé tells her what the rest of her world has known: she is Young's illegitimate daughter by Clark Gable. Lewis describes her mother's life; her own childhood, which included five months in an orphanage; her one meeting with Gable when she was fifteen and still unaware that he was her father; and her mother's continuing denial of the truth. 1994.

The Lives of Danielle Steel: The Unauthorized Biography of America's Number One Best-Selling Author RC 39488
by Vickie L. Bane and Lorenzo Benet
read by Ronald B. Meyer
3 cassettes
Two correspondents for *People* magazine use quotes from Steel's books and interviews with her ex-husbands and acquaintances to create this account. They discuss Steel's neglected childhood, her four marriages, her nine children, her custody battle over one child, and her many novels. Strong language. 1994.

Don Juan RC 39523
by Lord Byron
read by Gordon Gould
6 cassettes
Epic poem based on the legend of Don Juan. Byron's hero is a young, handsome, adventurous, shallow, and philandering man, whose escapades land him in endless difficulties, but not without many a good time along the way. Written entirely in eight-line stanzas, the epic was begun in 1818, and the seventeenth part was published just weeks before Byron's death. The poem is a satire on societal follies and pretensions. 1824.

The Christian Philosopher RC 39554
by Cotton Mather
read by Ralph Lowenstein
5 cassettes
First published in 1721, this is the first book on science by an American. Mather, a Puritan cleric, examined scientific and religious sources extensively prior to forming his conclusions about the compatibility of science and religion. This edition includes an introduction to Mather's treatise, placing it in its colonial context and discussing its influence on subsequent intellectual and cultural life. 1994.

The Diplomats: 1919–1939 RC 39566
edited by Gordon A. Craig
and Felix Gilbert
read by Frank Coffee
6 cassettes
Essays concerned with diplomacy of the period between the two world wars. The editors have assembled a study of the roles played by personality, foreign service training, tradition, ambition, honesty, loyalty, intuition, secrecy, suspicion, communication devices, and the presence or absence of principles in the making of a diplomat. 1953.

Strange Justice: The Selling of Clarence Thomas RC 39587
by Jane Mayer and Jill Abramson
read by Ralph Lowenstein
3 cassettes
Two *Wall Street Journal* writers attempt to explain what really happened during 1991 confirmation hearings for Clarence Thomas's Supreme Court nomination. The authors base their assessment of one side of the story on talks with Thomas's acquaintances, and of the other side on an interview with Anita Hill, who accused Thomas of sexual harassment. 1994.

The First Part of Henry the Sixth RC 39593
by William Shakespeare
read by John Horton
2 cassettes
A three-part historical drama opens with the funeral of King Henry V at Westminster Abbey. The play, based on the fifteenth-century French-English wars, reveals the schemes of military leaders to advance themselves even at the expense of England, often taking advantage of their inexperienced ruler, Henry VI, whose opponent was Joan of Arc. In the final act, the young king considers peace with France and marriage. 1623.

The Complete Essays of Montaigne RC 39600
by Michel de Montaigne
read by Robert Blumenfeld
9 cassettes
English translations of the sixteenth-century French philosopher's "essays," a literary form Montaigne invented to convey his ideas and opinions. His di-

verse subjects include feelings, the education of children, the custom of wearing clothes, the disadvantage of greatness, evil employed as a means to a good end, the power of the imagination, a lack in administrations, and not communicating one's glory. 1943.

The Force RC 39619
by David Dorsey
read by Jim Zeiger
2 cassettes
To write an American success story, Dorsey spends a year with the Cleveland district office of the Xerox Corporation. He focuses on Fred Thomas, head of the major accounts team. Three years earlier Fred was ranked the corporation's best sales manager, but this year he is worried about the productivity of his team. Dorsey describes the problems and the successes Fred, his colleagues, and his family encounter during the year. Strong language. 1994.

The Glory and the Dream: A Narrative History of America, 1932–1972 RC 39634
by William Manchester
read by John Rayburn
13 cassettes (Reissue)
A detailed popular history of politics, economics, sociology, and trivia from the Great Depression to the second inauguration of Richard Nixon. 1974.

Epitaph for a Desert Anarchist: The Life and Legacy of Edward Abbey RC 39653
by James Bishop Jr.
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes
Abbey, a philosophy major and park-ranger-turned-writer, became a cult figure through his novel, *The Monkey Wrench Gang (RC 8933)*, and his essays. Abbey saw industrialism as the enemy of his beloved Southwest. Against growth for growth's sake, he inspired such groups as Earth First! to commit acts of ecodefense. He died in 1989 and was buried primitively in the Arizona desert. 1994.

Joe Papp: An American Life RC 39778
by Helen Epstein
read by Laura Giannarelli
5 cassettes
Portrait of a noted theater producer. Papp, a controversial man, abandoned and later returned to his Jewish roots; promoted Shakespeare for the masses while championing new American plays; developed a loyal following among directors, actors, and playwrights, even though he was thought to be demanding; married and divorced several times; employed colorblind casting; and advocated human rights. 1994.

Star Trek Creator: The Authorized Biography of Gene Roddenberry RC 39794
by David Alexander
read by Ronald B. Meyer
4 cassettes
The author, a close friend of the late Gene Roddenberry, presents a biography of the producer, who was born in 1921 and died in 1991. Alexander delves into Roddenberry's life, character, and career, emphasizing his creation of and involvement with the Star Trek series that made him an icon to legions of fans. Includes an introduction by Majel Barrett Roddenbery and a foreword by Ray Bradbury. Some strong language. 1994.

The Beardstown Ladies' Common-Sense Investment Guide: How We Beat the Stock Market—and How You Can Too RC 39800

by The Beardstown Ladies Investment Club
read by Michele Schaeffer
2 cassettes

Women from the farming community of Beardstown, Illinois, formed an investment club with three goals: education, enjoyment, and making money. By using a conservative approach of buying and holding only the best-performing stocks and evaluating their portfolio monthly, the club made a record 53 percent in 1991. Bestseller 1994.

A Man on the Moon: The Voyages of the Apollo Astronauts RC 39809

by Andrew Chaikin
read by Terence Aselford
5 cassettes

Science writer Chaikin spent ten years compiling this detailed chronicle of the Apollo missions. All of the surviving astronauts were interviewed, as well as many others associated with the program. In addition, transcripts provided Chaikin with the astronauts' conversations within the command module. Appendixes include Apollo mission data and astronaut biographical information. Some strong language. 1994.

Memories of Chicano History: The Life and Narrative of Bert Corona RC 39817

by Mario T. García
read by Peter Gil
3 cassettes

Born in 1918 in El Paso, Mexican American labor and community activist Bert Corona grew up in the border culture. After three years of interviews with Corona, Professor García has written his "collaborative autobiography." García believes that Corona's life and work "embody the changing character of the Mexican American communities in the United States" and that his narrative provides a "social memory." 1994.

The Plague Makers: How We Are Creating Catastrophic New Epidemics—and What We Must Do to Avert Them RC 39818

by Jeffrey A. Fisher
read by Mary Kane
2 cassettes

Dr. Fisher asserts that, due to several factors, resistance to antibiotics has been developing for more than fifty of the sixty years the drugs have been in use. He describes fatal infectious diseases no longer responsive to antibiotics and warns that the drugs may play a detrimental role regarding AIDS. Includes suggested steps to avert the catastrophe and a guide to proper antibiotic use. 1994.

†All My Octobers: My Memories of Twelve World Series When the Yankees Ruled Baseball RC 39866

by Mickey Mantle and Mickey Herskowitz
read by Chuck Benson
2 cassettes

Recollections of a man whose name is a symbol for baseball. Mantle writes about playing for the Yankees at a time that stands in the record books—twelve trips to the World Series in fourteen years. While he enjoyed the glory and excitement of those times, he blames alcohol for most of his injuries and for preventing him from playing his best. Bestseller 1994.

†Dolly: My Life and Other Unfinished Business RC 39868
by Dolly Parton
read by Pam Ward
2 cassettes
Parton, born on January 19, 1946, in a one-room cabin in East Tennessee, was the fourth child in a family that would eventually number twelve children. Parton discusses her early years, especially her schooling and love for music; the strong ties that kept the family together; her relationship with her best friend Judy Ogle; her rise to fame in Nashville; and her marriage of twenty-eight years to Carl Dean. 1994.

†Chicken Soup for the Soul: 101 Stories to Open the Heart and Rekindle the Spirit RC 39870
by Jack Canfield and Mark Victor Hansen
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes
Collection of true stories, poems, and several checklists that readers might use to help them through bad times. The seven sections include love, parenting, living your dream, and overcoming obstacles. They include works by Bennett Cerf, Art Buchwald, Robert Fulghum, and Theodore Roosevelt. Bestseller 1993.

The Civilization of Europe in the Renaissance RC 40011
by John Hale
read by Patrick Horgan
5 cassettes
Survey of European history from the mid-1400s to the early 1600s, an exuberant era referred to as "the long sixteenth century," when nations were becoming aware of the meaning of Europe and individuals strove for achievements. The author investigates Europe's discovery of itself just as its separate countries grew protective of their artistic, military, and political accomplishments. 1993.

Ella Fitzgerald: A Biography of the First Lady of Jazz RC 40020
by Stuart Nicholson
read by Gail Nelson
3 cassettes
Portrait of a musician who began her career as a jazz singer at sixteen and later crossed over to pop songs and Broadway music. Because Fitzgerald, who was outgoing in public but shy in private, did not cooperate with Nicholson, he relied on interviews with people who have known her for years. He examines her encounters with racism in America and her rise to international acclaim. Includes discography. 1993.

My Own Country: A Doctor's Story of a Town and Its People in the Age of AIDS RC 40021
by Abraham Verghese
read by Christopher Hurt
3 cassettes
Educated in Ethiopia and India, Dr. Verghese chose Johnson City, Tennessee, to settle and begin a family. Trained in infectious diseases, Verghese was the de facto AIDS expert when he arrived in 1985, as the city's only AIDS patient had been a visitor who died. But within the next five years, Verghese cared for eighty AIDS patients. Some strong language. 1994.

No Gifts from Chance: A Biography of Edith Wharton RC 40023
by Shari Benstock
read by Suzanne Toren
4 cassettes
Focusing on the professional background of this prolific novelist, the bi-

ographer examines Wharton's dealings with other writers and with publishers. Benstock reveals details, some for the first time, about Wharton's private life, including her World War I charitable work and relationships with her parents, brothers, husband, and lover. 1994.

Selected Poems RC 40038
by Rita Dove
read by Robin Miles
1 cassette
In an introduction the author—a Poet Laureate and Pulitzer Prize-winning African American woman—explains how she became a writer, first in prose and then in an autobiographical poem, "In the Old Neighborhood." The remaining selections consist of the complete texts of three earlier works—"The Yellow House on the Corner," "Museum," and "Thomas and Beulah"—that show the depth and progression of her voice. 1993.

Bombshell: The Life and Death of Jean Harlow RC 40039
by David Stenn
read by John Stratton
2 cassettes
Biography of the short-lived "Platinum Blonde" or "Baby" MGM star. The author paints a portrait of a life as contradictory as Harlow's nicknames. On screen this actress projected a tough image, but in real life this daughter of an overbearing Kansas housewife and an aggressive stepfather appeared passive. Stenn emphasizes Harlow's off-screen character, mentioning her film roles in passing. 1993.

Pablo Casals RC 40047
by Robert Baldock
read by Gordon Gould
3 cassettes
Portrait of the Catalonian who lived thirty-four of his ninety-seven years in exile, yet remained forever identified with his homeland. The author discusses Casals's political stand against the fascists and describes his fame as a virtuoso cellist, as a master teacher, as the founder of two major music festivals, and as the first person to make a solo career with the cello. 1992.

Leadership RC 40048
by James MacGregor Burns
read by Frank Coffee
5 cassettes
The author finds leadership in a state of crisis. He identifies two basic types: transactional, for achieving current goals, and transforming, for establishing new ones. Then Burns discusses the power of leadership and its role in the development of moral values; traces its psychological, social, and political history; and concludes with theoretical implications for the future of American democracy. 1978.

Un-American Activities: A Memoir of the Fifties RC 40142
by Sally Belfrage
read by Catherine Byers
2 cassettes
As a teenager in post-World-War-II America, Sally Belfrage wanted a normal life. But with a father who was editor of the left-wing "National Guardian" and under attack from Joseph McCarthy, with a mother who wrote radical novels, and with both facing deportation to Britain, it was not easy. Belfrage writes of growing up in the 1950s and of

the problems she had as an innocent teenager who suffered guilt by association. 1994.

I Wonder as I Wander: An Autobiographical Journey RC 40144
by Langston Hughes
read by Christopher Hurt
3 cassettes
The African American poet recalls the 1930s in an autobiographical work. During this period he traveled extensively at home and abroad, meeting people from all walks of life. He writes here about amusing moments, difficult situations, racial injustice, and his intense interest in the world as he saw it. 1956.

Einstein: A Life in Science RC 40154
by Michael White and John Gribbin
read by Ralph Lowenstein
2 cassettes
Combines explanations of physics in lay language with a portrait of the personal life of one of the most recognizable names in the scientific world. One author chronicles the successes and failures of Einstein's career; the other examines the public and private side of the man whose name is a symbol for genius. Suggested reading by the same authors: *Stephen Hawking: A Life in Science (RC 36026)*. 1993.

Illuminata: Thoughts, Prayers, Rites of Passage RC 40220
by Marianne Williamson
read by Marcia Churchill
2 cassettes
Williamson believes that people want to transform the world into a place of grace and love to heal the pain of our times. Toward this end she offers essays and nondenominational prayers and ceremonies, some for traditional purposes and others for more contemporary concerns. There are prayers for healing, fear of intimacy, and depression. The rites include ceremonies for divorce, puberty, and midlife. 1994.

Working without a Net: How to Survive and Thrive in Today's High Risk Business World RC 40229
by Morris R. Shechtman
read by Robert Sams
2 cassettes
The author believes the biggest problem facing people today is denial of the need for change. He concludes that people must leave familiar and comfortable ways and adopt new rules for running their lives and their jobs. Shechtman discusses how to develop the skills needed to adapt to change, to overcome obstacles, to view issues in a new light, and to manage conflict. 1994.

Out of the Madness: From the Projects to a Life of Hope RC 40232
by Jerrold Ladd
read by Bob Moore
2 cassettes
Ladd, a young black man, describes growing up in a Dallas housing project with a drug-addicted mother. After his father abandoned the family, Ladd struggled to survive the environment of abuse, drugs, hunger, and filth. Fired from jobs despite hard work, Ladd was convinced he could only get as far as white society let him. Then he began to learn of his African heritage and became determined to make a difference. Some violence. 1994.

The Age of Missing Information RC 40250
by Bill McKibben
read by Clay Teunis
2 cassettes
The author, seeking an answer to the

question of whether there is any correlation between having more information available and knowing more, records and watches an entire day's cable-television programming in one city. To balance this experience, he spends an equal amount of time observing nature on a mountaintop. McKibben compares the two experiences and gives his conclusions in this book. He also addresses environmental issues. 1992.

Food RC 40261
by Susan Powter
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
4 cassettes
Fitness guru Powter, author of *Stop the Insanity! (RC 37307)*, focuses here on the eating part of her regimen. The first stage in her diet plan is giving up high-fat eating. In later stages, she recommends switching to healthier forms of protein and cutting out excessive sugar, dairy products, industry-raised poultry, and chemical-laden food. Powter provides recipes for each stage and tips on shopping, eating out, and beauty. Best-seller 1995.

Happy Trails: Our Life Story RC 40263
by Roy Rogers and
Dale Evans and others
read by Bob Askey
2 cassettes
Roy Rogers and Dale Evans made movies together for fifty years and have been married since 1948. Here they discuss their early lives, including marriages to other people; their career together in the movies; high and low points of their lives; and their reliance on religion. 1994.

I Want More of Everything RC 40265
by Eda LeShan
read by Jill Ferris
1 cassette
Sequel to *It's Better to Be over the Hill Than under It (RC 33172)*. This collection of seventy-seven essays, drawn for the most part from LeShan's weekly column in Newsday, continues her thoughts on growing old. She writes about needing afternoon naps, taking risks, creating a family, feeling passion, rewriting the address book, letting go of the past, making brave decisions, and retiring. 1994.

Psychic Sleuths: ESP and Sensational Cases RC 40269
edited by Joe Nickell
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes
Psychic sleuths claim to possess mental powers beyond reasoning and ordinary sensory aptitudes that enable them to discover persons who have disappeared or committed crimes. To take an in-depth, skeptical look at this phenomenon, former magician and private detective Nickell assembled a team of investigators and assigned each a well-known psychic for a year. Chapters report the inquirers' findings. 1994.

O.J. Simpson: American Hero, American Tragedy RC 40272
by Marc Cerasini
read by John Rayburn
1 cassette
Cerasini looks at the life of Orenthal James Simpson from his early years in San Francisco's Potrero Hill, through high school and college, and into his career as a major-league football player and spokesman for Hertz. He also covers Simpson's first marriage to Mar-

guerite Whitley and his later marriage to Nicole Brown, for whose murder and that of Ronald Goldman Simpson was tried. Strong language. Bestseller 1994.

Guns, Crime, and Freedom RC 40309
by Wayne R. LaPierre
read by Ralph Lowenstein
2 cassettes
LaPierre looks at the issues of gun control, crime, and the Second Amendment, examining viewpoints of both advocates and opponents of gun control. He discusses the Second Amendment right to bear arms; argues that people, not guns, kill; and examines the penalties for those who commit gun-related crimes. He also challenges the claim that there is a correlation between guns and crime. 1994.

The Last Bus to Albuquerque RC 40421
by Lewis Grizzard
read by Christopher Hurt
1 cassette
A commemorative edition of more than sixty essays drawn from humorist Grizzard's newspaper writing between 1990 and 1993. Also included are thoughts by some of Grizzard's friends following his death in March 1994. They recall his love of golf and trips through rural backwoods, his request to be buried next to Mama, and his response when told the risks of his last surgery: "When's the next bus to Albuquerque?" Bestseller 1994.

The Diary of a Young Girl: The Definitive Edition RC 40424
by Anne Frank
read by Suzanne Toren
2 cassettes
This notebook kept by a German-born Jewish girl includes material that was omitted from the first edition in 1947. Begun on her thirteenth birthday, the diary is a personal, sometimes humorous, account of years spent with her family in a Dutch attic hiding from the Nazis. After Anne heard a radio appeal about the importance of such papers, she expanded the scope of her entries. For high school and older readers. 1995.

***Always a Reckoning* and Other Poems RC 40426**
by Jimmy Carter
read by John Stratton
1 cassette
Poems about people, places, politics, and private lives by the thirty-ninth president of the United States. In "Rachel," Carter reflects on his tender feelings toward a neighbor when he was a child. In "My First Try for Votes," a constituent humbles and amuses the candidate in one bold stroke. And in the title poem, an autobiographical narrative, he speaks of learning the need in "all things . . . to balance out." 1995.

Dakota: A Spiritual Geography RC 40504
by Kathleen Norris
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
The author, a transplanted New Yorker, returns physically to her family home in the Dakota desert and intellectually to her roots. Norris chronicles her journey, from the perspective of a poet, in a series of essays and interludes, stressing the influences that the people, the church, and the plains have had on her change of heart. 1993.

Cassettes Fiction

†Insomnia RC 38879
by Stephen King
read by Chuck Benson
5 cassettes
During one of Ralph Roberts's walks about Derry, Maine, the retiree notices his neighbor Ed behaving oddly. But Ralph has problems of his own: first his wife dies and then he begins to awaken earlier and earlier each day. As Ed worsens, beating his wife and becoming an aggressive anti-abortionist, Ralph begins to see auras and the little bald men that Ed had warned him about. Strong language and some violence. Bestseller 1994.

Mall Rats: A Stick Foster Mystery RC 38910
by Kevin Robinson
read by Phil Regensdorf
2 cassettes
Paraplegic Nick "Stick" Foster has moved to Orlando, Florida, where he now works for the *Orlando Sentinel*. While working on a story about "mall life," he befriends a group of adolescent boys, nicknamed the "Mall Rats," and several employees of the mall. They all attend his wedding to lawyer Samantha Wagner, but when Martha Galliger dies from drinking drug-laced punch, the "Mall Rats" become the prime suspects. 1992.

Split Seconds RC 38915
by Kevin Robinson
read by Phil Regensdorf
2 cassettes
Nick Foster, using a wheelchair since he fell off a roof, has become a news reporter for a Melbourne, Florida, paper. He is preparing a story on crabbing, with his new friend Phil Stilles, when they find the body of James Woods, a NASA computer scientist, in their crab trap. The police are called in, but Nick decides to investigate when Propjob, a porpoise, brings Phil the dead man's wallet, which contains a shiny, two-inch gold disc. 1991.

The Wyndham Case RC 38919
by Jill Paton Walsh
read by June Carter
2 cassettes
Life at St. Agatha's College at Cambridge University is usually quiet for nurse Imogen Quy. But on this February morning, the master arrives in her office demanding her immediate attention at the Wyndham Case Library. Student Philip Skellow has been found dead. Imogen instantly suspects foul play, and the police are called in. Fellow students are reluctant to discuss the victim's last hours, and his roommate is not to be found. 1993.

The Savage Trail RC 38923
by Charles E. Friend
read by June Carter
1 cassette
When Marshal Grant Starbuck's town is ransacked by bandits and his family is among the townspeople brutally murdered, he sets out after the sadistic gang. Along the way he is aided by members of both the U.S. and Mexican armies, but, surprisingly, the most help comes from Kate Beaumont, who lost her husband to the men. "With nothing in common except their grief . . . they shared a savage obsession . . . and a savage trail as well." Strong language and violence. 1992.

A Matter of Perspective: A Stick Foster Mystery RC 38924
by Kevin Robinson
read by Phil Regensdorf
2 cassettes
Stick Foster is a wheelchair-riding writer who dabbles in photography and sleuthing. When Rod Ketchum, the senior partner at Stick's wife's law firm, dies suddenly, Ketchum's heart specialist confides to Stick that she suspects murder since Ketchum's pacemaker and other gadgets failed simultaneously. As Stick investigates, other firm members begin to die. Strong language, violence, and some descriptions of sex. 1993.

Looking after Lily RC 38927
by Cindy Bonner
read by Margaret Anne Walterhouse
2 cassettes
Lily Beatty, of *Lily (RC 36944)*, is now sixteen and pregnant. Her husband, Marion, has just been sentenced to two years in jail for robbery. Haywood Beatty has been released from jail and has agreed to look after Lily for his younger brother—not exactly what he wants to do. As time goes by and the baby comes, Haywood's feelings begin to change. Strong language, violence, and some descriptions of sex. 1994.

The Sound of Living Things RC 38932
by Elise Turcotte
read by Ellen Frost
1 cassette
Albanie is the thirty-year-old divorced mother of Maria, who is four. Albanie's public library job enables mother and daughter to explore the world of the imagination together in books. Albanie and Maria observe that life is often cruel to people they see daily, and it is equally sad for some they know only on television. But they have found that their shared loneliness creates a love that extends beyond themselves. 1993.

The Birthday Boys RC 38934
by Beryl Bainbridge
read by Dick Jenkins
1 cassette
Captain Robert Scott and four members of his team each give their version of the Antarctic expedition of 1912. The three-year trip aboard a converted whaler had a dual purpose—as a scientific mission and as a race to the South Pole. Individual narratives reveal how pleased each man was with their joint accomplishments and their endurance. But such pride was not enough to overcome disappointment, foolhardiness, and eventual death. 1991.

The Affair at Honey Hill RC 38935
by Berry Fleming
read by Don Emmick
1 cassette
In the winter of 1861, Edwin Daws, a middle-aged Confederate soldier, is posted near Honey Hill, a plantation where he worked during one summer many years ago. Torn now between his present duties and memories of his love for someone who once lived at Honey Hill, Daws and the ongoing war become symbols of the difficulty of resolving moral conflicts. Some strong language. 1981.

Glass House RC 38940
by Christine Wiltz
read by June Carter
2 cassettes
When Althea dies, her estranged niece Thea returns to New Orleans, her large inherited house, and her aunt's longtime housekeeper, Delzora. The city where Thea's shop-owner parents were

murdered is as troubled and racially divided as ever. Delzora's drug-dealing son Burgess is hiding out from the police and Thea's former friends are armed against blacks. Strong language, violence, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

Sworn before Cranes: Stories RC 38943
by Merrill Gilfillan
read by Marilyn Gleason
1 cassette
Collection of eighteen stories set mainly in the Great Plains and dealing primarily with the lives of Native Americans. The title story discusses injustice in a small town. In the "Nomad Flute," a man's car breaks down at such a lovely spot that he feels reluctant to complain. And in "The Committee," the townspeople discuss the "visitor problem." 1994.

What's a Girl Gotta Do? RC 38944
by Sparkle Hayter
read by June Carter
2 cassettes
Zany investigative reporter Robin Hudson thinks she's being blackmailed when a mysterious caller who knows her childhood nickname requests a meeting at her network's New Year's Eve party. When the caller doesn't show, Robin suspects a prank—until she's called in for questioning by the police for the caller's murder. What follows are Robin's humorous attempts to track down the murderer's motive and identity. Strong language. 1994.

All the Brave Men RC 38946
by James McCallum
read by Phil Regensdorf
2 cassettes
All of the McKane men work out of Duquesne's Fire Station Number Four-teen. While they and their colleagues are battling another blaze set by an elusive arsonist, Chief Michael McKane (Mac) falls three floors, breaking his back. Mac's angry sons become determined to find the arsonist, unaware that it is their journalist sister, Kathy, who is ironically in the most danger from the firebug. Strong language, some violence, and some descriptions of sex. 1993.

Friends of the Family RC 38948
by Camilla R. Bittle
read by Phil Regensdorf
2 cassettes
If it had not been for the Dwires, John Richards might still be a farmer. But thanks to a grant from Harrison School trustee Elliot Dwire, John has the chance to attend the good school and go on to Harvard. John marries, has three children, and teaches at Harrison. In summers his family takes in the wife and children of the now-deceased Elliot Dwire, and the lives of these two families become intertwined through good and bad times. 1994.

The Lost Boy: A Novella RC 38958
by Thomas Wolfe
read by Ted Eiland
1 cassette
Episodes based on the author's childhood recall his older brother Grover from the perspective of different family members. Grover himself relates an experience in the town square. Then his mother recalls an incident with Grover on a train trip to the World's Fair in St. Louis. A sister examines old photographs and relives the day Grover contracted typhoid fever. Finally, the author returns to the house where Grover died. 1937.

Animal Farm RC 38959
by George Orwell
read by Gillian Wilson
1 cassette (Reissue)
An allegorical political satire of communism in which the animals on a farm overthrow their master and live a utopian life until the intelligent pigs take over and one establishes himself as dictator. 1946.

The Old Man Who Read Love Stories RC 38971
by Luis Sepúlveda
read by Janet Daley
1 cassette
In a remote village in Ecuador's jungle, an old man enjoys romance novels brought by a dentist who visits twice a year. At first bitter when the jungle claims his wife, the man learns from the native Indians to appreciate the jungle environment. When an ocelot terrorizes the region, the old man must use his knowledge to hunt the beautiful wild animal. Strong language and some violence. 1989.

The Last Day the Dogbushes Bloomed RC 38974
by Lee Smith
read by Ardyth Heller
1 cassette
Nine-year-old Susan is thrilled to be starting another summer. She lives with the queen (her mother), the princess (her sister, home from boarding school in France), and her father. Her group of neighborhood friends has a new addition: Eugene, visiting from the city. Eugene starts a club whose members have to answer to a mysterious and cruel Little Arthur. Meanwhile, there is trouble brewing in Susan's castle. Some strong language. 1968.

The Quilt RC 38975
by T. Davis Bunn
read by Margaret Anne Walterhouse
1 cassette
Mary can hardly remember when she was a little girl, the years seem to have gone so fast. Now she is old, and she hopes she has raised her family the way the Lord would have wanted her to. But something has been keeping her awake at night, and she finally realizes what it is: she is to make a quilt, and "not a stitch is to be sewn without a prayer of thanks." As the quilt-making draws to an end, so does Mary's life. 1993.

Whatever Happened to Janie? RC 38978
by Caroline B. Cooney
read by June Carter
1 cassette
In this sequel to *The Face on the Milk Carton (RC 36957)*, Janie Johnson (née Jennie Spring)—an illegally adopted child who learns of the existence of her natural parents twelve years after her kidnapping—has contacted her real mother and father, who reclaim her. Janie reluctantly agrees to leave her beloved adoptive parents to live with her birth family, but her struggle to adjust is upsetting to both families. For junior and senior high readers. 1993.

When Bobby Kennedy Was a Moving Man RC 38983
by Robert Ellis Gordon
read by Phil Regensdorf
1 cassette
Seattle moving man Stanley Higgins is surprised to find himself working with Bobby Kennedy, who has been sent back to Earth with a few powers. But Bobby soon angers the gods by abusing these gifts, gets fired, and attempts to

murder the mobster he holds responsible for Jack Kennedy's death. In prison, Bobby hallucinates about his first life. Strong language, explicit descriptions of sex, and some violence. 1994.

Let Us Prey RC 39014
by Bill Branon
read by Ray Brown
2 cassettes
Fed up with bureaucracy, a wealthy businessman concocts a plot to wipe out the Internal Revenue Service by destroying the regional tax centers, thus crippling the government. He hires blood brothers Mitch and Ram and engages a mob of ne'er-do-wells in a twisted and extremely dangerous mission. Violence, strong language, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

The End of Vandalism RC 39024
by Tom Drury
read by Don Feldheim
2 cassettes
Louise Darling still lives in Grouse County twelve miles from where she was born. She divorces her husband Tiny, who recently demolished an anti-vandalism display, and begins dating Sheriff Dan Norman. Meanwhile Tiny sets out to prove you can run from your problems. "Assume the problems are at point A, and I get in the car and drive to point B. Are you with me?" Sixty-five other Grouse County residents add to this story. Some strong language. 1994.

Siesta RC 39026
by Berry Fleming
read by Michael Stanton
2 cassettes
A picture of life in a small Alabama town. It is a dry summer. A high-pressure system seems to be stuck over Georgetown; the air is still, and the roads are dusty. Dr. Abercorn is expecting his son, who has been in medical school, to come and visit for the summer and help out while his nurse goes to Europe for a couple of weeks. And several other northern visitors will stroll into town during the season. Some strong language. 1935.

Short Stories RC 39028
by Marjorie Kinnan Rawlings
read by Laura Giannarelli
3 cassettes
Stories by the 1939 Pulitzer Prize-winning author of *The Yearling (RC 33466)*. "Cracker Chidlings," published in 1931, is a series of vignettes about the poor white folk who inhabit the backwoods of central Florida. "Gal Young Un," a story about independent Mattie Syles and how she is taken in by two-timing Trax Colton, won the O. Henry Prize and was made into a movie. 1994.

Love Is the Crooked Thing RC 39066
by Barbara Wersba
read by Barbara Rappaport
1 cassette
In the sequel to *Fat (RC 28806)*, Rita Formica, seventeen, is searching for her eccentric lover, Arnold Bromberg, thirty-three, who has gone to Europe. He sends her romantic postcards with no return address. Rita determines, against her family's wishes, to find Arnold and bring him back to Sag Harbor. To finance her plan, she turns to writing potboiler, romantic novels. Descriptions of sex and some strong language. For high school and older readers. 1987.

Meshugah RC 39067
by Isaac Bashevis Singer
read by Ray Hagen
2 cassettes
Originally published in Yiddish as a

serial in the *Forward*. In New York City in the early 1950s, Aaron Greidinger, forty-seven, is a writer and radio "advisor." He is surprised to find that his old friend Max Aberdam survived the Holocaust. Max introduces Aaron to Miriam, his mistress, and the three form a psychic/sexual bond. When the trio journeys to Israel, a terrible secret is revealed. 1994.

A Case of Curiosities RC 39103
by Allen Kurzweil
read by Erik Sandvold
3 cassettes
At an auction in Paris, an antiques buff picks up a box of items that document the life of Claude Page, an obscure eighteenth-century inventor. Examining the contents, the new owner reconstructs Page's life, beginning with an apprenticeship at the age of ten to an eccentric clockmaker. Later Page focused his talents on an invention called the "Talking Turkish Gentleman," a device that did not survive the French Revolution. 1992.

The Patron Saint of Unmarried Women RC 39278
by Karl Ackerman
read by Clay Teunis
2 cassettes
Jack Townsend is a landscape designer in Washington, D.C. He lives with artist Nina Lawrence for three years before she feels stifled and kicks him out. But breaking up with Nina means leaving her family, too, and they're all rooting for Jack. As Nina's Catholic mother prays to the patron saint of unmarried women, Jack and Nina each try dating other people. Some strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

La Divina RC 39284
by Anne Edwards
read by Faith Potts
3 cassettes
The story of an opera diva reminiscent of Maria Callas. American-born Athena Varos is taken by her mother to study voice in Greece, where she is trapped by World War II and an impossible marriage. But perseverance, talent, and ambition win out, and Athena earns international acclaim. Meanwhile, she engages in a scandalous affair with a wealthy man, who eventually betrays her by marrying a prominent widow. Some strong language. 1994.

Wolves of the Dawn RC 39287
by William Sarabande
read by Gary Telles
4 cassettes
Young Balor's father is Fomor, clan chieftain, and his mother is a foreigner whom Fomor took from evil Nemed MacAgnomain. When Fomor was a boy, Nemed killed Fomor's parents with an unknown weapon: a sword. Fomor's revenge was to capture Nemed and sell him into slavery. Now Nemed has returned, but peace-seeking Fomor does not want another battle. Ashamed, Balor secretly vows to kill Nemed by his own sword. Violence and some descriptions of sex. 1986.

Till the Butchers Cut Him Down: A Sharon McCone Mystery RC 39323
by Marcia Muller
read by Pam Ward
2 cassettes
When private eye Sharon McCone starts her own company, her first client is an odd character from her college days. Then, Suits Gordon was always peddling something shady out of a suitcase. Now

he's a successful turnaround man who uses drastic measures to rescue dying organizations. Suits or his methods have apparently angered someone enough to try, again and again, to kill him. Some strong language and some violence. 1994.

Elven Star: The Death Gate Cycle, Volume 2 RC 39362
by Margaret Weis and Tracy Hickman
read by John Horton
3 cassettes
Haplo, on his mission of revenge, now moves to Pryan, the Realm of Fire. In this land of vast jungles, Haplo discovers that the resident humans, dwarves, and elves are already warring with each other, and thus he has little to do. But an elf, a human, and a dwarf will unite in an effort to save Pryan. Sequel to *Dragon Wing (RC 39361)*. Some violence. 1990.

The Return of Mr. Campion RC 39427
by Margery Allingham
read by Fred Major
2 cassettes
A collection of mystery stories that feature sleuth Albert Campion. The author admits that she knows little about her protagonist other than that Campion is an assumed name for a man whose business card proclaims, "Coups neatly executed; nothing sordid, vulgar or plebeian; deserving cases preferred; police no object." Born in 1900, Campion ages from story to story until he is in his sixties. Includes a tribute by Agatha Christie. 1989.

On Fortune's Wheel RC 39439
by Cynthia Voigt
read by David Palmer
2 cassettes
Two generations after *Jackaroo (RC 23883)*, another innkeeper's daughter, Birle, fourteen, tries to stop a boat thief, but becomes his passenger instead as he flees downriver. The thief, however, is Lord Orien, the next ruler of the Kingdom, leaving because he doubts his leadership abilities. Marooned on an island and rescued by slavers, Orien is sold to a cruel master while Birle becomes the assistant to a philosopher. For junior and senior high readers. 1990.

Q-Squared RC 39441
by Peter David
read by Gary Tipton
2 cassettes
Trelane, the pesky, omnipotent being who first appeared as the Squire of Gothos to Captain Kirk of the original *Enterprise*, is back to plague Captain Picard and the next-generation crew. This time Trelane threatens all of creation by tampering with three different timelines, and even the all-powerful Q is unable to stop him. A Star Trek: The Next Generation novel. Some strong language. 1994.

The Cleveland Connection: A Milan Jacovich Mystery RC 39442
by Les Roberts
read by John Polk
2 cassettes
There are more people of Slavic heritage in Cleveland than anywhere else outside Europe, and their presence creates a "Cleveland connection" of shared roots. This is why Slovenian American private investigator Milan Jacovich agrees to look for a former classmate's missing Serbian American grandfather. When the man is found dead, Jacovich blames the Cleveland

connection. Strong language and some violence. 1993.

Olivia; or, The Weight of the Past
RC 39448
by Judith Rossner
read by Carole Jordan Stewart
3 cassettes
Caroline Sindler disappoints her academic New York parents by becoming a cook in Italy. She becomes pregnant and marries Angelo Ferrante, who soon reveals adulterous, sexist traits. When their daughter Olivia is twelve, Caroline leaves Angelo, their restaurant, and Olivia, who adores her father. Back in New York, Caroline is thrilled when Olivia decides to join her, but shocked by how rocky their relationship has become. Some strong language. 1994.

The Three Crowns RC 39450
by Jean Plaidy
read by Mitzi Friedlander
3 cassettes
When Mary was born to James and his wife, the Duke and Duchess of York, James's brother Charles II had no legitimate child as heir to the throne. Though William, the Prince of Orange, was in the line of succession, he was not as close as Mary. William, who had been a sickly child, determined to marry a woman whom he could control and selected Mary for his bride. It was a troubled marriage, but one that endured, eventually uniting England and Holland. 1965.

Promise Me Today RC 39455
by Lori Copeland
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
During the Civil War, the three McDougal sisters travel about dressed as nuns and scam men out of their money. Finally arrested, the sisters are being transported to jail when Comanches attack the stagecoach. Three unlikely men come to their rescue, each riding off with a sister in tow. Abby is stuck with shoe salesman Hershall Digman. But, like Abby, Hershall is not who he seems. Strong language, some violence, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1992.

Libbie RC 39459
by Judy Alter
read by Terry Hayes Sales
3 cassettes
A fictional journal of Elizabeth Bacon Custer records her private wars with the love of her life: General George Armstrong Custer. They met growing up in Monroe, Michigan, but Elizabeth's father, Judge Bacon, did not approve of the headstrong boy who was not of their class. Elizabeth married him anyway, putting up with his arrogance and his womanizing until his legendary luck ran out at the battle of the Little Bighorn. Some explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

Drawing Blood RC 39463
by Poppy Z. Brite
read by Ray Foushee
3 cassettes
In 1972 cult cartoonist Robert McGee and his young family rent a house in Missing Mile, North Carolina. There Robert kills his wife, his three-year-old son, and himself. Twenty years later, the surviving son, Trevor, now also a cartoonist, returns to the site to confront the horror from his past. Helping him unravel the bizarre murder is computer hacker Zachary Bosch, who has fallen in love with Trevor. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1993.

Blood Sacrifice: A Mystery of the Yucatán RC 39468
by Gary Alexander
read by Roy Avers
2 cassettes
Diminutive Mayan Luis Balam has been working as a tour guide, a shopkeeper, and a private investigator since he was kicked off the police force for trying to arrest powerful Raúl Estrada. Now Balam is investigating for his attorney friend, who represents an American evangelical missionary accused of killing four young women with a Mayan knife. Strong language, violence, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1993.

Henry and Clara RC 39477
by Thomas Mallon
read by John Stratton
3 cassettes
Henry Rathbone and his fiancée, Clara Harris, were sitting in the presidential box at Ford's Theater with the Lincolns when John Wilkes Booth shot the president. Rathbone was stabbed also and nearly died. The author recreates the lives of these two young people—raised as brother and sister when his mother married her father—before, during, and after the Civil War. The effect of the assassination on them is devastating. 1994.

A Quest of Dreams RC 39483
by Debra Dier
read by Lynn Schrichte
3 cassettes
Kate Whitmore and her father are archaeologists searching for the lost colony of Atlantis. Thorough research and the discovery of a journal lead them to believe Atlantis is located in the jungles of Brazil. They hire Devlin McCain as their guide, and sparks fly between Kate and Devlin as they travel through the jungle. But they must be wary—for they are followed by someone who wants the journal. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

This Side of Heaven RC 39485
by Karen Robards
read by Michele Schaeffer
3 cassettes
When Caroline Wetherby arrives in Connecticut Colony, she hopes her awful experiences in England are left behind and she will find a good home with her half sister Elizabeth Mathieson. But Elizabeth is dead, and Caroline's grandiose ways and healing skills make her suspect in the eyes of the Pilgrims. Fortunately Elizabeth's widower is willing to take her in. Some explicit descriptions of sex. 1991.

The Cat Who Blew the Whistle RC 39490
by Lilian Jackson Braun
read by Bob Askey
2 cassettes
With the help of investors, train-buff Floyd Trevelyan has turned an old steam locomotive and private railroad cars into the Lumbertown Party Train. But the morning after the initial run of the train, Trevelyan is missing, and the Lumbertown Credit Union (of which he is president) is closed. The police seem to think there is a connection. But Jim Qwilleran, along with his cats Yum Yum and Koko, thinks the police are on the wrong track. 1995.

Home Song RC 39491
by LaVyrle Spencer
read by Jill Ferris
3 cassettes
The Gardners, married for eighteen

years, appear to be a happy family. The father is a high school principal, the mother is a teacher, and the son and daughter, a senior and junior in high school, are intelligent and popular. But as a new school year begins, a cloud appears on the horizon: Tom Gardner learns he has another son, who is registering as a senior at his high school. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1994.

Wings of the Morning: The Kensington Chronicles, Volume 2 RC 39528
by Lori Wick
read by Jill Ferris
2 cassettes
For twenty-three years, Victoria (Smokey) Simmons's life has been spent on board her father's ship the Aramis. Now he is dead and she is captain. Dallas Knight, captain of the *Zephyr*, often arrives at a port too late to pick up cargo because the Aramis has gotten there first. He will not be happy to find out that the *Aramis*'s captain is a woman. Sequel to *The Hawk and the Jewel (RC 39527)*. 1994.

Journey to the End of the Night RC 39588
by Louis-Ferdinand Céline
read by Graeme Malcolm
3 cassettes
Bardamu, the narrator of this novel, deserts the French army during World War I and lands in a hospital for the mentally ill. After his release, he becomes a doctor with a slightly unethical practice in a suburban Paris slum, hating everything about himself and disgusted with his life. Violence and strong language. 1934.

Body of Knowledge RC 39598
by Carol Dawson
read by Barbara Caruso
4 cassettes
Victoria Grace Ransom grew up listening to stories about her wealthy but troubled family from servant Viola. According to Viola, all the Ransom problems stem from devilish Grant Macafee, who was spurned by Victoria's great-aunt. Now Viola is dead, as are all of Victoria's relatives, but 600-pound reclusive Victoria believes the feud is still alive. Then her writing of the family history is interrupted by a stranger with a different story. 1994.

The Seventh Wife RC 39599
by Andrei Moscovit
read by Ken Kliban
4 cassettes
Anton Sebich, a middle-aged insurance salesman and radio talk-show host, has been married six times and has ten children. When Anton gets a phone call from wife number one indicating that daughter number one is missing, he sets out to find her. Anton's search takes him to see all his former wives, on an ocean voyage, and into the former Soviet Union. He also meets wife number seven! Strong language and some violence. 1994.

Lyon's Pride RC 39612
by Anne McCaffrey
read by Mary Woods
2 cassettes
Hiver aliens have often battled the Human and Mrdini races. Now that their world has been destroyed, the Hivers are searching for a new home and, therefore, are again attacking the Mrdini. It is up to Damia's children, all of whom have special telepathic abilities,

to pool their powers to fend off the Hivers. In the process, the children learn self-confidence and choose their careers. Sequel to *Damia's Children (RC 36334)*. 1994.

The Moon Below RC 39615
by Barbara Bickmore
read by Jill Ferris
5 cassettes
Hallie Thomas has grown up in the coal-mining fields of England, but she hates it there and wants a better life somewhere else. Her chance comes when she receives a letter from an old friend, Chad Morgan, asking her to come to Australia to be his wife. But when she falls ill on board ship and is cared for by Dr. Tristan Faulkner, she falls passionately in love with him. Some violence and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1990.

Three Complete Mysteries: *Greenwich Killing Time*, *A Case of Lone Star*, *When the Cat's Away* RC 39624
by Kinky Friedman
read by Jim Zeiger
3 cassettes
The protagonist shares the author's name and profession of country songwriter. The fictional Kinky once saved a victim from a mugger and is now a part-time sleuth. McGovern, the reporter who befriended Kinky, gives him a murder case to solve—and McGovern is the suspect. Two other stories also feature the Kinkster. Strong language and some violence. 1988.

The Barefoot Bride RC 39631
by Joan Johnston
read by Jill Ferris
2 cassettes
Young, widowed Montana doctor Seth Kendrick realizes his adolescent, tomboy daughter Patch needs a woman's guidance. When his advertisement for a mail-order bride is answered by beautiful, widowed Molly Gallagher, what promised to be merely a marriage of convenience blossoms into romance. Unfortunately, their children have no intention of becoming a family! Some strong language, some violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1992.

Forbidden RC 39633
by Jo Beverley
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Widowed Serena Riverton is facing a dilemma—her brothers are deeply in debt and plan to sell her to the highest bidder. But Serena has no desire to remarry and flees from her home. On the road, she meets Lord Middlethorpe, who, knowing that he must provide an heir, was visiting the home of Lady Anne when he received an urgent message that set him on the road home. Some explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

Love beyond Reason RC 39649
by Sandra Brown
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
1 cassette
When wealthy playboy Peter Manning is killed in a car crash with another woman, his wife, Mary, goes into premature labor. On her deathbed, she makes her sister Katherine promise to raise the baby. To escape the ruthless Mannings, Katherine moves to Texas, but Peter's brother Jason tracks her down. Not wanting his parents to gain custody either, Jason proposes that Katherine marry him. Strong language and explicit descriptions of sex. 1981.

The Mexican Tree Duck RC 39651
by James Crumley
read by Jim Zeiger
2 cassettes
Detective Sughrue is looking for the missing wife of the president's special envoy to Mexico. The search begins in Montana and covers the Southwest all the way to the Mexican border. Along the way, Sughrue collects assorted companions, including a woman with a child and a pottery duck, but mainly old Vietnam buddies. Violence, strong language, and descriptions of sex. 1993.

***Homeland* and Other Stories RC 39657**
by Barbara Kingsolver
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
By the author of *Pigs in Heaven (RC 35911)*. In the title story, a woman remembers when her family took her Native American great-grandmother to visit her Tennessee homeland. Not recognizing the tourist trap it had become, Great Mam insisted she never lived there. In "Covered Bridges," a woman's allergic reaction to a hornet sting makes her decide against having children: "Having a child wouldn't make you immortal. It's just one more life you could possibly lose, besides your own." 1989.

Tunnel Vision RC 39660
by Sara Paretsky
read by Mitzi Friedlander
3 cassettes
Investigator V.I. Warshawski, of *Guardian Angel (RC 34303)*, agrees to find out why low-income housing planned by a women's trade collective is blocked. She also worries about a homeless family living in the basement of her condemned office building. When a shelter board member is found murdered in V.I.'s office after offering to help the family, all three concerns merge into one. Strong language and some violence. Bestseller 1994.

"K" Is for Killer RC 39664
by Sue Grafton
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
P.I. Kinsey Millhone is hired by Janice Kepler to investigate the death of her daughter Lorna after the police all but give up on the baffling case. The body is so badly decomposed that it is impossible to determine if Lorna has been murdered. Kinsey shifts to night hours to find a motive when she learns that Lorna's part-time job and crude cabin belied a high-dollar hooking career and large savings account. Some strong language. Bestseller 1994.

Wake the Dead RC 39666
by Dorothy Simpson
read by Barry Bernson
2 cassettes
Inspector Luke Thanet is attending the annual Thaxden Fête held by local British MP Hugo Fairleigh when Thanet discovers the death of Fairleigh's ailing mother. Although Mrs. Fairleigh had recently suffered a debilitating stroke, Thanet's doctor friend finds proof that she was murdered. Thanet puzzles over possible motives of each household member, and then stumbles upon a surprising clue. 1992.

Falcons: The Wings of War, Book 1
RC 39672
by Ray Rosenbaum
read by Roy Avers
3 cassettes
Ross Colyer first crosses swords with Broderick Templeton III, son of a U.S.

senator, in 1941 when both are young pilots in Hawaii. They avoid each other when they meet again in England but are sent together to Africa to train for a secret mission to destroy Romanian oil refineries in Ploesti. Then the mission goes awry and they end up in enemy territory. Prequel to *Hawks (RC 39688)*. Strong language, some violence, and some descriptions of sex. 1993.

The Honorable Imposter: The House of Winslow, Book 1 RC 39673
by Gilbert Morris
read by Mitzi Friedlander
3 cassettes
Gilbert Winslow has studied ministry in the Church of England, but his heart is not in it. He accepts Lord North's challenge to locate fugitive William Brewster and his band of Puritans in Holland. Winslow succeeds but, through a series of mishaps, finds himself on the *Mayflower*. It is at Plymouth that Winslow discovers his religious calling and his love. Prequel to *The Captive Bride (RC 39679)*. 1986.

Everville: The Second Book of the Art RC 39677
by Clive Barker
read by Roy Avers
4 cassettes
In this sequel to *The Great and Secret Show (RC 31406)*, Maeve is traveling by wagon train to Oregon, where her father plans to build the town of Everville. When he is killed, Maeve escapes through a crack in the sky to Quiddity. In the present, evil Iad descends upon now-built Everville, where others are frantically searching for the Art. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1994.

The Weekend Was *Murder*! RC 39695
by Joan Lowery Nixon
read by Madelyn Buzzard
1 cassette
In the sequel to *The Dark and Deadly Pool (RC 29619)*, young Mary Elizabeth and her coworkers at Ridley Hotel are asked to act out small parts in a murder mystery weekend. The "murder scene" is to be in a suite that many of the hotel workers consider haunted. When Mary Elizabeth discovers an actual corpse in the room, a real murder investigation becomes tangled in the make-believe one. For junior and senior high and older readers. 1992.

Stolen Thunder RC 39774
by David Axton
read by Gregory Gorton
2 cassettes
Five Libyan terrorists hijack a 747, torture and kill a young American fighter pilot, and dump his body on a desert airport's tarmac. Two years later a crew of six, including the pilot's widow and father, steal a mothballed B52 from an Arizona aircraft graveyard and set off to seek revenge. An international investigation begins immediately, although it appears that the mission does not surprise some officials. Strong language and some violence. 1992.

Sleep, Baby, Sleep RC 39776
by Jessica Auerbach
read by Grainne Cassidy
2 cassettes
Sylvie, a twenty-year-old nurse's aide with attention deficit disorder, meets thirtyish, sophisticated Peter and falls in love. When she becomes pregnant, Peter is very supportive and they begin to plan a life together. Then the impossible happens: baby Cally vanishes from

the apartment. When no ransom is demanded, the FBI and even Peter suspect Sylvie, and only one cynical cop and Sylvie's bossy mother are on her side. Strong language. 1994.

Parable of the Sower RC 39777
by Octavia E. Butler
read by Mary Kane
2 cassettes
In 2024, most well-to-do families live in walled enclaves to protect themselves from the roaming drug addicts who live in squalor and are prone to theft, rape, and murder. Lauren Olamina, eighteen, suffers from hyperempathy, which means that she feels not only her own pain but that of others. When the addicts overrun Lauren's community, she and others are forced to seek refuge outside the walls. Strong language and violence. 1993.

Colorado Gold: Treasure Quest, Book 2 RC 39781
by Marian Wells
read by Mary Kane
2 cassettes
In the sequel to *The Silver Highway (RC 39760)*, young Amy Randolph accompanies her preacher father to Colorado to spread the gospel among the gold miners. She meets miner Daniel Gerrett and dancing girl Amelia. When Daniel turns to preaching, Amy contemplates life as a preacher's wife and learns the truth about the mother she had thought dead. Prequel to *Out of the Crucible (RC 39791)*. 1988.

The Sword and the Chain: Guardians of the Flame, Book 2 RC 39782
by Joel Rosenberg
read by Christopher Walker
2 cassettes
Karl Cullinane and his friends have survived their first series of dangers in the magical world of dragons and wizards to which they have been transported. Knowing they cannot return to Earth, they have decided to use their talents to bring freedom to the wondrous new world and take on the forces of the guilds of both the wizards and the slavers. Sequel to *The Sleeping Dragon (RC 39759)*. Strong language. 1984.

The Silver Crown: Guardians of the Flame, Book 3 RC 39790
by Joel Rosenberg
read by Christopher Walker
2 cassettes
In their efforts to bring freedom to the land, Karl Cullinane and his companions, with the help of the young dragon Ellegon, attack the slaver caravans and set up a haven called Home for runaway slaves. But now the Slavers' Guild threatens Home with a new magical weapon, and an elfin kingdom claims dominion over the territory of Home. Sequel to *The Sword and the Chain (RC 39782)*. Strong language. 1985.

Impossible Things RC 39796
by Connie Willis
read by Grainne Cassidy
3 cassettes
Collection of eleven satirical and comic stories, most of which have the scientific rhetoric of science fiction stories. "Ado" discusses the dangers of censorship and well-meaning political correctness. "Chance" and "Time Out" are about time-crossed women, and "Spice Pogrom" is a tribute to old screwball comedy movies. Violence and strong language. 1993.

Spain for the Sovereigns RC 39799
by Jean Plaidy
read by Ilona Dulaski
2 cassettes
In this sequel to *Castile for Isabella (RC 39769)*, Isabella is queen of Castile and Ferdinand is her consort, a fact he is none too pleased with. But there are those who would benefit if Isabella's half-brother Henry's adolescent daughter Joanna were to claim the crown. Because there are questions regarding Joanna's legitimacy, her people must take Castile by force if she is to reign. Isabella and Ferdinand prepare to fight them. Some violence. 1960.

Tomorrow the Glory RC 39801
by Shannon Drake
read by Marcia Churchill
3 cassettes
Set during the Civil War. Kendall Moore will do anything to escape her abusive husband, including throwing herself on the mercy of a stranger. She happens to pick Brent McClain, a handsome young Floridian. They are smitten with each other but wrenched apart by a misunderstanding. Separate adventures and passionate reunions take them through the war. Explicit descriptions of sex, some strong language, and some violence. 1985.

In Search of Bernabé RC 39807
by Graciela Limón
read by Peter Gil
1 cassette
Since Luz Delcano's son, Lucio, was taken from her, she is especially protective of Bernabé. Lucio becomes head of state security, the Salvadoran equivalent of a death squad, while Bernabé, destined for the priesthood, disappears after the assassination of the archbishop. Luz looks for Bernabé, who has joined the guerrillas, but finds him too late to save him from his brother. Violence, strong language, and descriptions of sex. 1993.

How Late It Was, How Late RC 39808
by James Kelman
read by Gary Telles
3 cassettes
Sammy, a Glasgow drunk, hits bottom and makes matters worse by picking a fight with two soldiers. He sobers up in jail, minus his sight, his money, and his girlfriend, and, to the surprise of no one who knows him, finds his own solutions for dealing with the bureaucracy that tries to help him. Within a few days, Sammy deals with his failures, dispenses advice to his son, and makes a fresh start. Strong language. Winner of the 1994 Booker Prize. 1994.

These Twain RC 39812
by Arnold Bennett
read by Vanessa Maroney
4 cassettes
In the third volume of the Clayhanger trilogy, which starts with *Clayhanger (RC 34689)* and *Hilda Lessways (RC 39679)*, Edwin and Hilda have married after Hilda's "tragic adventure with a rascal and a bigamist," and her son by George Cannon is now ten years old. The book begins with an "at home" gathering at the Clayhangers' in 1892 and follows the ups and downs of their marriage through the next five years. 1915.

Daughters of Spain RC 39813
by Jean Plaidy
read by Ilona Dulaski
2 cassettes
In this sequel to *Spain for the Sovereigns (RC 39799)*, Queen Isabella's consort,

Ferdinand, has become even more hungry for power. Angry when his wife refuses to give his bastard son the archbishopric of Toledo, Ferdinand turns his attention to their children's futures. He arranges powerful marriages, even for ten-year-old Catalina. Isabella chides herself into thinking like a monarch instead of a mother. 1961.

Kingscote: Heart of India, Volume 3
RC 39820
by Linda Chaikin
read by Kimberly Schraf
2 cassettes
India, 1800. Coral Kendall has received news from Major Jace Buckley that her adopted son, Gem, is alive. But when she finds parts of her Hindi scripture burned on the floor of her room, Coral realizes there are forces at work throughout India that hope to keep Gem away from her and to prevent her from building her mission school for Indian children. Sequel to *Under Eastern Stars (RC 39814)*. 1994.

Throne of Isis RC 39837
by Judith Tarr
read by Patricia Martin
3 cassettes
Julius Caesar is dead, and the Roman Empire is now ruled by Octavian and Marc Antony. Cleopatra must decide which side to choose in order for Egypt to survive. She becomes Marc Antony's lover, in spite of the fact that he has a wife, so that together they can unite Rome and Egypt under the Throne of Isis. But her plans go awry when civil war breaks out. Some strong language. 1994.

Where the Heart Is RC 39843
by Robin Lee Hatcher
read by Patricia Martin
2 cassettes
Shortly after her father's death, Addie Sherwood is shocked when her father's aging attorney tells her that her lack of appeal or money gives her little choice but to marry him. Instead, Addie takes a teaching post in the small Idaho town of Homestead. There she immediately receives a second proposal for a marriage of convenience from a young rancher who needs help raising his niece. Some strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1993.

†Irish Gold RC 39863
by Andrew M. Greeley
read by Jim Zeiger
3 cassettes
Dermot Michael Coyne, twenty-five, has come to Dublin to find out why his grandparents, the O'Riadas, left in 1920 during the Troubles, saying they could never return. Dermot meets young Nuala Anne McGrail in a pub, and she agrees to translate Dermot's grandmother's diaries. As Nuala works on the translation, she uncovers information that puts both her and Dermot in danger. Some strong language and some violence. 1994.

†Pearl in the Mist RC 39864
by V.C. Andrews
read by Mary Woods
2 cassettes
It has been a year since Ruby Landry came to live with her father, stepmother Daphne, and twin sister Gisselle. Because Daphne does not want Ruby around, both girls are sent to a boarding school in Baton Rouge, where Gisselle frequently causes trouble for which

Ruby is blamed. But Ruby gets into trouble of her own that affects the rest of her life. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. Sequel to *Ruby (RC 37928)*. 1994.

†The Crossing: The Border Trilogy, Volume 2 RC 39865
by Cormac McCarthy
read by David Hartley-Margolin
3 cassettes
In the 1930s, two brothers live on a New Mexico ranch with their parents. After trapping a pregnant wolf who wandered in from Mexico, sixteen-year-old Billy takes her back to her home. He returns to find the ranch plundered and his younger brother Boyd all that remains of his family. The two go back to Mexico and life-changing experiences. Companion to *All the Pretty Horses (RC 34043)*. Strong language and violence. Bestseller 1994.

†Nothing Lasts Forever RC 39867
by Sidney Sheldon
read by Yvonne Fair Tessler
2 cassettes
Dr. Paige Taylor is on trial for the death of one of her patients. She claims she was helping a dying man, but others say she murdered him for his money. Paige thinks back to five years ago when she and her two roommates were new, hopeful interns. Since then, Kat has been murdered, Honey has not lived up to the promise of her perfect grades in medical school, and now this! Strong language and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1994.

†Everything to Gain RC 39869
by Barbara Taylor Bradford
read by Yvonne Fair Tessler
3 cassettes
The Keswicks—Mal, Andrew, and the twins, Jamie and Lissa—have a wonderful life together. They live in New York, have a weekend home in Connecticut, and often travel to London to Andrew's ancestral home. Andrew and Mallory are deeply in love, the children are adorable, and everything seems perfect. Then Mal's world is suddenly destroyed when Andrew and the twins are killed. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1994.

†Downtown RC 39871
by Anne Rivers Siddons
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
3 cassettes
Atlanta, 1966. Maureen "Smoky" O'Donnell, twenty-six, a talented young writer, has come from the docks of Savannah to work for Matt Comfort on Atlanta's new magazine, Downtown. Smoky quickly becomes one of Comfort's People; they work together and they party together. But she becomes torn between two polar opposites—the aristocrats and the blacks who are in the civil rights movement. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1994.

†Born in Fire RC 39873
by Nora Roberts
read by Mary Woods
2 cassettes
Maggie Concannon is a glass artist who pours her heart and soul into her creations and enjoys working alone. Then her work comes to the attention of Rogan Sweeney, an art gallery owner, and her world is turned upside down. Maggie quickly becomes an international sensation but wonders if her newfound fame is worth the change in her lifestyle. Some strong language and

some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1994.

†Border Music RC 39875
by Robert James Waller
read by Bob Askey
2 cassettes
Texas Jack Carmine is a wandering man who spends very little time on his one-horse ranch in Texas. He happens to be in Dillon, Minnesota, one autumn night in 1986, when a man rips off Linda Lobo's G-string instead of putting money in it. Jack attacks the man, and he and Linda run out the back door and keep on going. Thus begins an odyssey that takes Jack back into his troubled past. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1995.

†The Rainmaker RC 39879
by John Grisham
read by Chuck Benson
3 cassettes
Before Rudy Baylor graduates from law school and starts his new job, he must provide free legal advice at a senior center. His clients are a couple whose grown son is dying of leukemia and whose insurance company has abandoned them. Rudy's excitement over their promising case is dashed by the news that his much-needed job offer has been withdrawn. And that's only the beginning of his bad-luck streak. Some strong language. Bestseller 1995.

†The Glass Lake RC 39883
by Maeve Binchy
read by Jill Ferris
5 cassettes
When handsome Louis Gray abandons Mary Helena Healy to marry a rich woman, "Helen" settles for Martin McMahon, a pharmacist in an Irish village. But after two children and a decidedly dull life, "Lena" is reunited with Louis. They both enjoy successful careers and the faster pace of London. But Lena longs for a relationship with her daughter, Kit, so she concocts a scheme whereby she can contact Kit but protect her true identity. Bestseller 1995.

†McNally's Trial RC 39884
by Lawrence Sanders
read by Chuck Benson
2 cassettes
Archy McNally, chief of Discreet Inquiries for McNally and Son, once again investigates the lives of the rich and famous in Palm Beach, Florida. Sunny Fogarty, comptroller of Whitcomb Funeral Homes, is concerned about the unfounded dramatic increase in profits. Archy quickly discovers that a large number of coffins are being mysteriously shipped north for burial. Some strong language. Bestseller 1995.

†Sheba RC 39885
by Jack Higgins
read by Jim Zeiger
1 cassette
Hitler plans to attack Poland on September 1, 1939, and to blow up the Suez Canal the same day. John Cunningham, an archaeologist searching for the Temple of Sheba, is missing in Southern Arabia. His wife, Ruth, asks Gavin Kane, also an archaeologist, to help locate her husband. Kane finds the husband, the temple—and the Nazis. Strong language. Bestseller 1995.

Kolymsky Heights RC 40010
by Lionel Davidson
read by Ken Kliban
3 cassettes
A Russian biologist accepts a position

in Siberia, knowing that he can never leave. There the body of a woman preserved in ice for the past forty thousand years has just been discovered. Years later, the Russian sends out a coded message to summon a Canadian Indian scientist. The Russian wants the Canadian to share with the world the advances the woman's fetus has contributed to blindness research. Strong language and some violence. 1994.

The Glimpses of the Moon RC 40016
by Edith Wharton
read by Barbara Caruso
2 cassettes
When Susy Branch and Nick Lansing decide to marry, it is not for the usual reasons. Well-connected but without money, the couple plan a honeymoon as guests of wealthy friends. As part of the agreement, Nick and Susy have accorded each other the freedom to divorce and marry a more desirable partner, and neither is prepared when they find themselves genuinely in love. 1922.

The Year's Best Mystery and Suspense Stories 1994 RC 40032
edited by Edward D. Hoch
read by L.J. Ganser
2 cassettes
Twelve stories, including the editor's "A Traffic in Webs" in which a department store attempts to obtain a web display to exhibit during the Christmas season and triggers a string of murders in the process. Also includes contributions by other masters of the genre such as Lawrence Block, Kate Wilhelm, Peter Tremayne, Donald E. Westlake, Julian Rathbone, and Miriam Grace Monfredo. Some strong language. 1994.

Trinities RC 40033
by Nick Tosches
read by Ed Blake
3 cassettes
Giuseppe Di Pietro and his partners, Louie and Tonio, got out of the international drug racket because they were getting too old. But they are not happy with the way the new young guys with their computers and mergers and buyouts are handling things. When they decide to regain control of the heroin market, they have to deal with a trinity of Asian drug lords and the police. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. 1994.

Pussyfoot: A Midnight Louie Mystery RC 40041
by Carole Nelson Douglas
read by J.P. Linton
2 cassettes
In the sequel to *Catnap (RC 36696)*, Midnight Louie the cat and his owner, public relations officer Temple Barr, become involved in another murder. Midnight is in a dressing room at a strippers' convention visiting the feline Divine Yvette when he sees someone fleeing from the body of a dead dancer hung by her G-string. Temple, who has agreed to do PR work for the convention, helps Louie find the killer. 1993.

Perfect Cover RC 40042
by Linda Chase and Joyce St. George
read by Catherine Byers
2 cassettes
Tina Paris of the New York Special Prosecutor's Office investigates corruption in the criminal justice system. While she tries to build a case against a police officer involved in myriad illegal activities, tension mounts in the city over the repeated attacks of a "pretty

boy" rapist, who plays Russian roulette with his victims. Strong language, violence, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

The Scold's Bridle RC 40046
by Minette Walters
read by Patricia Kilgarriff
3 cassettes
When elderly Mathilda Gillespie is found dead in her bath with her wrists slashed, her doctor, Sarah Blakeney, doubts it was suicide. For one thing, Mathilda's head is encased in a family heirloom called a scold's bridle, which was used to curb tongues. One village policeman agrees with Sarah and begins to investigate the generally hated Mathilda's relatives and acquaintances, including Sarah and her estranged husband. Strong language. 1994.

California Angel RC 40061
by Nancy Taylor Rosenberg
read by Catherine Byers
2 cassettes
Toy Johnson's husband is annoyed when she gives money to her needy students. What is this compulsion to help children that drives Toy time after time? And how are her efforts to help children related to her dreams and to her recurring cardiac episodes? While on a trip to New York with a friend, she has an attack and finds herself saving a child from a burning building. Then she is arrested for kidnapping. Bestseller 1995.

Sideshow RC 40137
by Anne D. LeClaire
read by Suzanne Toren
2 cassettes
Museum librarian Soleil Browne agrees to participate in a dream exhibit, unaware it is run by her former lover Andy McKey. Soleil's brain patterns, displayed as she sleeps, alarm Andy. Instead of dreaming, she is time traveling back into the life of a small girl called Shoe, who is in danger. Trying to help Shoe, Soleil does not realize she is being stalked in her real life. Some strong language, some violence, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

Brother Cadfael's Penance: The Twentieth Chronicle of Brother Cadfael RC 40138
by Ellis Peters
read by Tom Martin
2 cassettes
Twelfth-century Britain. An uprising that has developed between supporters of two fractious members of the ruling class has left Cadfael's secret son, Olivier, a hostage. Cadfael begs permission to leave the abbey to attend a peace conference, but actually plans to rescue the young man he fathered before he became a monk. 1994.

The Mother's Recompense RC 40139
by Edith Wharton
read by Barbara Caruso
2 cassettes
Socialite Kate Clephane abandons her husband and infant daughter, Anne, in New York and seeks refuge on the Riviera, where she remains for nearly twenty years. Then a telegram announces the death of her wealthy former mother-in-law and another from her daughter summons her back. Kate learns that Anne plans to marry Kate's old lover. Horrified, Kate gets advice against inflicting "sterile pain" and makes her decisions accordingly. 1925.

Dead Meat RC 40140
by Philip Kerr
read by Ken Kliban
2 cassettes
A Moscow investigator goes to St. Petersburg on the pretext of looking at how the Central Investigating Board deals with the Mafia, but in reality to check on reports of police corruption. He joins a detective on a case involving the murder of a well-known anti-Mafia journalist, learning more than he suspected about the workings of the underworld that controls Russia since the breakup of the Soviet Union. Some strong language. 1993.

Double Fault RC 40143
by Jack M. Bickham
read by J.P. Linton
2 cassettes
Tennis pro Brad Smith is contacted by a supposed federal agent who wants information about Kevin Green, a friend from college thought to have died in Vietnam, and Green's copilot, David Wentworth. When Smith inadvertently reveals the whereabouts of Wentworth, who is then brutally murdered, he uses his old CIA contacts to determine why, if Green is alive, he is hiding and being pursued. Strong language and violence. 1993.

Bengal Nights RC 40150
by Mircea Eliade
read by Graeme Malcolm
1 cassette
Alain, a French engineer, goes to work in India, where his employer takes him into his Bengali home. When he falls in love with the sixteen-year-old daughter, Maitreyi, Alain is expelled from the house and his job. Distraught, he flees, but his confusion over Maitreyi's behavior and the culture haunt him forever. Eliade's semiautobiographical account is said to have prompted the writing of *It Does Not Die (RC 40198)* by Maitreyi Devi. 1950.

Darktown Strutters RC 40151
by Wesley Brown
read by John Stratton
2 cassettes
Jim Crow, a Kentucky slave, is a superb dancer. Tom Rice owns a minstrel show and rents Jim from his master. Jim refuses to wear blackface on stage and, when the other performers won't share accommodations, Jim gets his own railroad car. Meanwhile, he competes with Jack Diamond, an Irish dancer. They enjoy a deep friendship until the outbreak of the New York draft riots during the Civil War. Violence and some strong language. 1994.

The Lovely Ambition RC 40153
by Mary Ellen Chase
read by Graeme Malcolm
2 cassettes
Half a century after an English parson emigrated with his family to Maine, he is still dreaming about the Suffolk life left behind in the old country. The story blends nostalgia with depictions of diverse characters, including the eccentric friends of Mrs. Gowan, the residents of the mental hospital, and assorted family members. 1960.

Beggars and Choosers RC 40155
by Nancy Kress
read by Nick Sullivan
2 cassettes
By 2114, the world is divided into the Sleepless, who never sleep or age; the gene-modified, who are brilliant; and the Livers, who do sleep and are supported by the efforts of the gene-modi-

fied. But the Livers and the gene-modified may be in trouble unless the Sleepless return from their self-imposed exile and destroy some illegal labs. Sequel to *Beggars in Spain (RC 38523)*. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1994.

Death of a Charming Man RC 40162
by M.C. Beaton
read by John Horton
1 cassette
Hamish Macbeth is finally engaged to Priscilla Halburton-Smythe, but he is beginning to regret his decision. Priscilla is attempting to rearrange his life—and his cottage. On the day his new electric stove is installed, Hamish escapes to Drim to check out the new man who is stirring up all the ladies. When the newcomer disappears and a murder takes place, Hamish has more to worry about than his domestic life. Some strong language. 1994.

The Brooklyn Book of the Dead RC 40163
by Michael Stephens
read by L.J. Ganser
2 cassettes
When New York customs inspector Leland Coole dies, his will specifies that he not be buried next to his wife in Florida, but be brought back to Brooklyn for a proper wake. The Irish American's sixteen grown children reluctantly return to their old stomping grounds to fulfill his wishes and then to "lug his sorry carcass" to the cemetery. They reminisce about growing up in their troubled family. Strong language. 1994.

A New Graft on the Family Tree RC 40164
by Isabella Macdonald Alden
read by Catherine Byers
2 cassettes
Louise Barrows has no misgivings about leaving her aristocratic New York family to marry Lewis Morgan. For Lewis's health, they plan to live on his family's farm until they can afford one of their own. Devout Louise is surprised to learn that Lewis is the only Christian in his family and dismayed by the lack of affection displayed by family members. Over time, with God's help, she gives the Morgans a new outlook on life. 1880.

Pylon: The Corrected Text RC 40165
by William Faulkner
read by Richard Davidson
2 cassettes
A nameless local reporter covers events in celebration of the opening of an airport in a southern city and finds himself as interested in some of the contestants as he is in the air show. The reporter meets a pilot, his wife, his mechanic, and a parachutist and, over the next few days, adopts this little band of offbeat characters with some bizarre results. Violence and strong language. 1935.

Heat RC 40177
by Stuart Woods
read by L.J. Ganser
2 cassettes
After his wife dies of cancer, cop Jesse Warden is found with evidence money and the body of his partner. His repeated beatings in prison are interrupted by the former boss he suspects of framing him. If Warden brings down a Vietnam vet thought to be leading a dangerous white-supremacist cult, he goes free.

Undercover, Warden moves to the cult's small Idaho town, falls in love with his landlady, and plots his survival. Strong language and violence. 1994.

High Fall: A Kiernan O'Shaughnessy Mystery RC 40178
by Susan Dunlap
read by John Stratton
2 cassettes
Kiernan O'Shaughnessy is on hand to see stuntwoman Lark Sondervoil attempt a move made famous by the late Greg Gaige. Sondervoil executes it perfectly but then falls to her death, exactly ten years after Gaige died in a stunt for the same director. O'Shaughnessy, a former pathologist and gymnast who knew Gaige, is the perfect private investigator for the case. Some strong language and some violence. 1994.

Our Game RC 40200
by John le Carré
read by Graeme Malcolm
2 cassettes
Larry Pettifer fails to show up for the lecturing job his old friend Tim Cranmer finds for him, and now Cranmer's mistress, Emma Manzini, has disappeared, too. A huge fortune is also missing from Russian banks. Cranmer is eager to find the pair without revealing his former secret-agent status and what he knows about parts of the world formerly behind the Iron Curtain. Some strong language. Bestseller 1995.

Morning Child RC 40221
by Harold Myra
read by Robert Sams
1 cassette
Mela has now become queen, and with her coronation comes the hope of better things for those in the upper world. After giving birth to several sons, Mela has a daughter she names Meleden, "The Maker's Blessing." But Meleden is no ordinary child; she is blind, deaf, and cannot speak. Yet to those who hold her, she brings an unexplained peace. Sequel to *The Shining Face (RC 40252)*. 1994.

Touch of the Black Widow RC 40222
by Bea Carlton
read by Lynn Schrichte
2 cassettes
In the sequel to *The Secret of Windthorn (RC 39152)*, reformed jewel thief Max Parrish, now a Christian, is working as the personal assistant to archaeologists Skye and Joy Windthorn in Mexico City. He meets their neighbor Autumn Caldwell, an actress who is dying of cancer. Although Autumn's family warns Max that she killed her husband and that other men in her life have died mysteriously, he falls in love with her. 1989.

One for the Money RC 40224
by Janet Evanovich
read by Celeste Lawson
2 cassettes
Out-of-work lingerie buyer Stephanie Plum blackmails her cousin Vinnie into hiring her as a bounty hunter. Her first case is Joe Morelli, a vice cop accused of shooting an unarmed man. Stephanie's feelings toward Joe are mixed because he never called after she gave up her virginity to him in high school. She locates Joe over and over again, but he refuses to cooperate unless she helps him prove his innocence. Strong language and some violence. 1994.

Sacred Country RC 40231
by Rose Tremain
read by Grainne Cassidy
3 cassettes
In the early 1950s, Mary Ward, the small daughter of an abusive English farmer and his mentally troubled wife, is determined to turn into a boy. Although her grandfather agrees to call her Martin and another aging friend is quite open-minded, Mary tells no one the extent of her secret despair as years go by and she remains female. But once "Martin" is old enough to move away from her hometown, she begins the steps to realize her goal. 1992.

The Ice Storm RC 40233
by Rick Moody
read by Barrett Whitener
2 cassettes
Thanksgiving weekend 1973 in the Connecticut suburbs with Ben and Elena Hood and their children, Wendy and Paul. Ben pursues neighbor Janey Williams while her husband, Jim, trades keys with Elena. Meanwhile, Wendy gets something going with the Williams boys, and Paul tries to seduce a schoolmate. It seems that it takes an act of nature to rearrange their lives, just as the family falls apart. Strong language and descriptions of sex. 1994.

Last Go Round RC 40242
by Ken Kesey and Ken Babbs
read by Robert Sams
2 cassettes
Kesey was fourteen when his father told him the story of the 1911 Pendleton (Oregon) Round Up. Kesey combines fact and fiction in his tale of race, power, and ideals involving three men who became legends: Johnathan E. Lee Spain, a white teenager from Tennessee, and the men who educated him in the ways of the West—black George Fletcher and Jackson Sundown of the Nez Percé. Some strong language and some violence. 1994.

Big Woods: The Hunting Stories RC 40246
by William Faulkner
read by Barrett Whitener
2 cassettes
Four stories and an epilogue thematically unified around the ritual of the hunt. Each story is introduced with an excerpt from another Faulkner work. Contains "The Bear," "The Old People," "A Bear Hunt," and "Race at Morning." 1955.

Double Down RC 40258
by Tom Kakonis
read by Chuck Benson
3 cassettes
Timothy Waverly is in Palm Beach with his partner, Bennie Epstein, who has just informed Tim that a loan shark wants his $250,000 in the next two weeks—or they die. Tim has run into an old girlfriend whose husband is involved in high stakes games, so they just might have a chance to win some big bucks in a card game with an Arab prince. The odds are stacked against him, but Tim is playing poker for his life. Strong language and some violence. 1991.

Dark Apprentice: The Jedi Academy Trilogy, Volume 2 RC 40266
by Kevin J. Anderson
read by Chuck Benson
2 cassettes
Despite their past victories, Luke Skywalker, Han Solo, and Princess Leia are faced with increasing losses in the ongoing war with scattered remnants of the Empire. Luke knows that lasting

peace can be achieved only through the creation of a new generation of Jedi knights, but when one of his students delves into the dark side of the Force, the greatest evil of all is unleashed. Sequel to *Jedi Search (RC 38884)*. Bestseller 1994.

Eloquent Silence RC 40268
by Sandra Brown
read by Jill Ferris
2 cassettes
Young widow Lauri Parrish is asked to leave her position at a New York school for the deaf to privately tutor three-year-old Jennifer Rivington. The chance to move to New Mexico sounds appealing, but Lauri has second thoughts when she meets Jennifer's father. Drake, a soap opera actor, flirts with Lauri but makes it clear he is still in love with his late wife. Strong language and explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1982.

The Cat Who Ate Danish Modern RC 40270
by Lilian Jackson Braun
read by Bob Askey
1 cassette
Jim Qwilleran, a prize-winning reporter, and Koko, the Siamese cat with extraordinary talent and a flair for mystery, are joined by Yum Yum—a lovable Siamese adored by Jim and Koko. This unusual detective team investigates a very clever murderer. 1967.

Princess Annie RC 40273
by Linda Lael Miller
read by Yvonne Fair Tessler
3 cassettes
American Annie Trevarren has come to Bavia for the arranged marriage of her friend and schoolmate, Princess Phaedra St. James. A visit with the royal family should be a happy time, but all is not well in Bavia, and civil war is on the horizon. Annie learns that Phaedra is not in love with her intended. She also finds herself falling in love with Phaedra's brother, Crown Prince Rafael St. James. Some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1994.

Miracle RC 40276
by Katherine Sutcliffe
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
3 cassettes
Clayton and Trey Hawthorne are identical twin brothers. Because Trey was born first, he became the duke of Salterdon, but Clayton is more financially successful and responsible. Their grandmother wants the two young men to marry but neither feels ready. Then Trey meets Lady Cavendish, or Miracle, who lives in a ruined castle. He convinces Clayton to woo Miracle in his place. Some strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1995.

The Standoff RC 40312
by Chuck Hogan
read by John Stratton
2 cassettes
After negotiating a tense hostage situation at the World Financial Center, FBI agent John Banish spends six months in psychiatric rehabilitation for alcoholism. Two years later, Banish is shocked to be assigned again as a hostage negotiator. Fugitive white supremacist Glenn Ables is holed up in a Montana cabin with his family. Police have been shot at and a U.S. marshal has been killed. Now Banish must talk Ables out. Strong language and violence. 1995.

A Holiday of Love RC 40321
by Judith McNaught and others
read by Anne Hancock
2 cassettes
Romantic stories. In one selection, a boy genius devises a plan to get his mother to marry his wealthy friend so she will be cared for while he's at college. In another, a young woman trying to get out of a marriage proposal asks another man to "ruin" her. His misinterpretation leads to their forced marriage. Two other stories round out the collection. Some strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. Best-seller 1994.

A Christmas Embrace RC 40335
by Ellen Tanner Marsh
read by Patricia Martin
2 cassettes
Alex and Rose Boyer have been married for about ten years, and they have settled into a routine life. Rose is always busy at the animal clinic that she owns with an older doctor. Alex, a stockbroker, seems to have trouble leaving his work behind at the office. But Rose has planned a special Christmas present for Alex that she hopes will help put some romance back in their lives. Unfortunately, her plan almost backfires. 1994.

Deirdre and Don Juan RC 40344
by Jo Beverley
read by Ilona Dulaski
2 cassettes
Mark Juan Carlos Renfrew, earl of Everdon, first married when he was twenty. But it was a mismatch, and his wife left him within six months. Now, ten years later, he has received word of her death and must, therefore, take a new wife and provide an heir for his estate. This time he wants someone who is quiet, plain, and a stay-at-home. Deirdre Stowe seems to be the perfect solution. But she has promised to marry someone else. 1993.

Love or Money RC 40351
by Virginia Hart
read by Michele Schaeffer
1 cassette
To please Grandfather Barney, Addie Rutherford has been secretly exploring her family tree hoping to discover long-lost relatives. She finds Miriam Mandeville, who asks her to visit in Boston. When Addie arrives, she is surprised to learn Miriam is the wealthy owner of Mandeville Chocolates. Although attracted to Addie, Thorne Cameron, Miriam's lawyer, thinks she is a gold digger. Some strong language. 1991.

She Walks These Hills RC 40372
by Sharyn McCrumb
read by Bob Moore
2 cassettes
In the Tennessee hills, elderly escaped convict Harm Sorley is trying to find his wife and baby, since Korsakoff's syndrome has erased the last forty years from his memory. Like his uncle before him, Harm is becoming a folk hero, but newly appointed deputy Martha Ayers feels duty bound to track him. Meanwhile, retracing the long-ago route a pioneer girl took to escape from Indians, a graduate student encounters her ghost. Strong language. 1994.

Books for Children

Books listed in this issue of *Talking Book Topics* were recently sent to cooperating libraries. The complete collection contains books by many authors on fiction and nonfiction subjects, including animals, geography, nature, mystery, sports, and others. Contact your cooperating library to learn more about the wide range of books available in the collection.

In this listing, cassette books are labeled with the code RC and play at 15/16 ips. To order books, fill out the order form and send it to your cooperating library.

Cassettes Nonfiction

Buried in Ice RC 38764
by Owen Beattie and John Geiger
read by David Impastato
1 cassette
In 1845 Sir John Franklin set out with two ships and more than 125 men on a well-planned, well-supplied, well-commanded expedition in search of the fabled Northwest Passage. No one returned alive. In this account, anthropologist Owen Beattie and journalist John Geiger describe how they solved the 147-year-old mystery. For grades 4-7 and older readers. 1992.

Ancient Greece RC 38840
by Don Nardo
read by Frank Coffee
1 cassette
History of the culture often credited with originating belief in the worth of the individual. Begins with the birth of Greek civilization about 2200 B.C. and continues with the development of city-states, the Greek and Persian wars, the Athenian Empire and Athens's golden era, the Peloponnesian War, the feats and death of Alexander the Great, and the Hellenistic Age that ended about A.D. 1. For grades 6-9. 1994.

Hitler's Reich RC 38841
by Gail B. Stewart
read by Peter Johnson
1 cassette
The tale begins with a discussion of the people and events that led to the formation of the Third Reich. Then the story backtracks to trace the path of the Austrian school dropout who became head of the Nazi party. The author concludes with a look at why some people followed Hitler's ideas and others opposed them. For grades 6-9. 1994.

Growing Older: What Young People Should Know about Aging RC 38914
by John Langone
read by Marilyn Gleason
1 cassette
By 2025, Americans sixty-five years old and older will outnumber teenagers two to one. The author discusses the aging process and the elderly. Chapters include "Why Do We Age?" "Putting Down the Elderly," "How Other Cultures View Old Age," and "What Kind of Old Person Will You Be?" For grades 6-9 and older readers. 1991.

The Uncertain Journey: Stories of Illegal Aliens in *El Norte* RC 38920
by Margaret Poynter
read by June Carter
1 cassette
From impoverished nations such as Haiti, Guatemala, Colombia, and Mexico, thousands of illegal aliens enter the United States each year in search of a better life and future for their progeny. The stories of twelve immigrants—from Central America, South America, and

the Caribbean—and the hardships that they endure are presented here. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 1992.

Who Harnessed the Horse? The Story of Animal Domestication RC 38926
by Margery Facklam
read by Nancy Newell-Kline
1 cassette
The author contends that animals—beyond providing food, clothing, transportation, entertainment, and assistance—unlocked the door to civilization. Without them, people might still be hunting and gathering to sustain their lives. Facklam explains domestication and the ways that animals and humans have worked together—from dogs that helped Stone Age people to bacteria that eat up oil spills. For grades 4-7 and older readers. 1992.

Be Seated: A Book about Chairs RC 38930
by James Cross Giblin
read by Gregory Ricks
1 cassette
From prehistory to the present day—in Europe, Africa, Asia, and America—the history of sitting and the art, utility, and technological developments of the chair are discussed. Chapters include "Stools for Men and Chairs for Women," "A Throne for the Master," "From Simple to Overstuffed," and "The Golden Stool of the Ashanti." For grades 4-7 and older readers. 1993.

Doodle Dandy! The Complete Book of Independence Day Words RC 38933
by Lynda Graham-Barber
read by Anne Mullen
1 cassette
Describes, explains, and provides historical information on myriad words and customs associated with America's Independence Day. Included are such words and phrases as "justice and equality," "wave the flag," "Yankee Doodle Dandy," "barbecue," and "picnic." For grades 4-7 and older readers. 1992.

Prayers, Praises, and Thanksgivings RC 38937
compiled by Sandol Stoddard
read by Jeff Halberstadt
1 cassette
A rich collection of prayers and inspirational verses from a wealth of religions, nationalities, and cultures the world over. The anthology is divided into three sections titled "Hello God: Beginnings," "Wings of Freedom: Reaching Out," and "Lord of the Dance: The Great Journey." For grades 3-6 and older readers. 1992.

It's Our World, Too! Stories of Young People Who Are Making a Difference RC 38949
by Phillip Hoose
read by Miriam Wagner
1 cassette
Beginning with a historical overview of young activists, such as the children employed in the textile mills of the 1830s who fought for fair labor practices, the author presents an array of young people who are working to make our world a better place to live. Sections include "Taking a Stand," "Healing the Earth," and "Creating a Safer Future." For grades 5-8 and older readers. 1993.

Around the World in a Hundred Years: From Henry the Navigator to Magellan RC 38972
by Jean Fritz
read by Ray Dizefalo
1 cassette
Through the discoveries of ten explorers, Fritz surveys the period, beginning

early in the fifteenth century, during which the globe's coastlines were first mapped (when the world known to Europeans consisted of the Middle East and parts of Asia). She examines the curiosity, greed, courage, and cruelty of Diaz, Columbus, da Gama, and others. For grades 3-6 and older readers. 1994.

Frida Kahlo RC 39620
by Hedda Garza
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
1 cassette
Biography of the Mexican painter who died in 1954 at the age of forty-seven with little worldwide recognition. By the 1970s, feminists in the U.S. and Europe had elevated Kahlo to an idol, and in the 1990s she was celebrated internationally. The author discusses Kahlo's profound lifelong physical and emotional pain, her apparent dual personality, and her tumultuous marriage to muralist Diego Rivera. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 1994.

I Was a Teenage Professional Wrestler RC 39836
by Ted Lewin
read by Ray Brown
1 cassette
Illustrator and writer Ted Lewin began a double life when he entered the Pratt Institute in Brooklyn: by night he earned his living as a wrestler. His inspiration was his older brother Donn, who went on to wrestle for twenty years. The colorful lifestyle and characters Ted encountered during this time also served as subjects for many of his paintings. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 1993.

The Way West: Journal of a Pioneer Woman RC 40035
by Amelia Stewart Knight
read by Catherine Byers
1 cassette
The true story of Amelia Knight, her husband, and her seven children as they travel by wagon train from Iowa to Oregon in the spring and summer of 1853. The family endures rain, dust, sickness, gnats, and the loss of animals, but Native Americans are helpful and sell them food. When the Knights reach the Oregon Territory at last, they have a new home and a new baby. For grades 2-4. 1993.

***Voyager*: An Adventure to the Edge of the Solar System RC 40093**
by Sally Ride and Tam O'Shaughnessy
read by Madelyn Buzzard
1 cassette
The first American woman to fly in space describes the *Voyager* space shuttle missions to Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, and Neptune. Although the two spacecraft sent to explore these planets were unmanned, they were equipped to perform scientific experiments and to take pictures. Ride describes what the *Voyagers* discovered about the planets and their moons. For grades 3-6. 1992.

***A Tree Place* and Other Poems RC 40158**
by Constance Levy
read by Nona Pipes
1 cassette
A collection of forty short poems about nature and the outdoors. Levy writes of seashells and sunsets, spiders and inchworms, and summer nights and the noontime sun. For grades 3-5. 1994.

Jerusalem Mosaic: Young Voices from the Holy City RC 40161
by I.E. Mozeson and Lois Stavsky
read by Suzanne Toren
1 cassette
The authors spent the summers of 1992 and 1993 in Jerusalem where they interviewed more than thirty teenagers. Jewish, Christian, and Moslem teens talk about various aspects of their lives, including family, religion, and community. They relate their feelings on war, politics, and the continual ethnic conflicts. Some strong language. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 1994.

The Gift of the Tree RC 40171
by Alvin Tresselt
read by Robin Miles
1 cassette
The oak tree has stood in the forest for more than one hundred years, but now the tree is nearing the end of its life. Tresselt describes the life cycle of an oak tree and explains how, as the tree grows old and dies, animals and other plant life benefit. For grades K-3. 1972.

To the Top! Climbing the World's Highest Mountain RC 40184
by S.A. Kramer
read by Michael Pinney
1 cassette
Mount Everest in Asia is the highest mountain in the world, and in 1953 Edmund Hillary and Tenzing Norgay hoped they would be the first men to reach its peak—the top of the world. Each had dreamed of climbing the dangerous mountain, where just a slip of the foot can send a climber ten thousand feet below to death, and together they met the challenge. For grades 2-4. 1993.

Taking Hold: My Journey into Blindness RC 40247
by Sally Hobart Alexander
read by Faith Potts
1 cassette
Sally Hobart was twenty-four when she began to lose her sight. At first she saw a thin black line that disappeared after a few minutes. But the line returned, and Sally realized after visits to many specialists that she would soon be totally blind. She tells of her frustrations, the loss of her fiancé, the support of family and friends, and the help she got in adjusting to her new world. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 1994.

Raul Julia RC 40275
by Rebecca Stefoff
read by Jake Williams
1 cassette
Puerto Rican Raul Julia began his acting career at the age of five when he played the part of the devil in a school play. He came to the United States in 1964 and began acting in Shakespearean plays. Later he became famous for his award-winning performances on both stage and screen and for his humanitarian efforts on behalf of children around the world. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 1994.

The Arab Americans RC 40296
by Alixa Naff
read by Ken Kliban
1 cassette
The Arabs comprise several different populations who live in the Middle East and North Africa and share a common background. Most practice Islam. There are an estimated two million Arab Americans. Most are descendants of people who came to the United States between 1880 and 1940 and after World

War II. Discusses the Arab world, factors leading to emigration, and Arab Americans as an ethnic group. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 1988.

Cassettes Fiction

The Race: Golden Filly, Book 1
RC 38829
by Lauraine Snelling
read by Robin Miles
1 cassette
Tricia Evanston, fifteen, looks forward to racing Spitfire at the Portland Meadows Race Track in a few months. She and her father, Hal, have worked toward this goal for a long time. Unfortunately, her mother does not share their dream. But horse racing loses some of its importance when Hal is diagnosed as having cancer. Trish can't believe that God would let him die when they are so close to their goal. Prequel to *Eagle's Wings (RC 38830)*. For grades 6-9. 1990.

The Gold Dust Letters: Investigators of the Unknown, Book 1 RC 38848
by Janet Taylor Lisle
read by Nona Pipes
1 cassette
Angela Harrall sends a letter to her fairy godmother. Angela is intrigued when she receives a reply from an enchanted being, named Pilaria, whose messages, when unrolled, scatter a fine golden dust. As their correspondence continues (in notes placed on the mantelpiece), Pilaria's hardships in an invisible kingdom echo Angela's troubles at home with parents who may divorce. For grades 3-6. 1994.

Looking for Juliette: Investigators of the Unknown, Book 2 RC 38849
by Janet Taylor Lisle
read by Nona Pipes
1 cassette
Angela goes to Mexico for a year, leaving her Siamese cat, Juliette, with her friend Poco. When Juliette is hit by a car and disappears, Poco's friend Georgina and shy, strange Walter join Poco in a search for the cat. Walter produces a Ouija board, and clues lead the team to Angela's house and the housesitter, Miss Bone. Sequel to *The Gold Dust Letters (RC 38848)*. For grades 3-6. 1994.

Incident at Hawk's Hill RC 38913
by Allan W. Eckert
read by June Carter
1 cassette
After a small boy wanders off one summer and loses himself on the vast prairie near his home, he is adopted by a female badger who takes care of him for two months. Based on an incident reported in Saskatchewan, Canada, in 1870. For grades 5-8. 1971.

Ice Warrior RC 38916
by Ruth Riddell
read by Graci Ragsdale
1 cassette
Sixth-grader Rob Marshall, a native Californian, must adjust to a new stepfamily and a new school during a harsh Minnesota winter. Determined to show up a bully and impress his natural father—who believes that "winning is everything"—by winning at iceboat racing in the Winter Festival Regatta, Rob slowly turns to his generous stepfather for help in rebuilding an old boat, *Ice Warrior*. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 1992.

Zed RC 38917
by Rosemary Harris
read by Mimi Bederman
1 cassette
"I never knew you were that child," said the headmaster. Zed glanced at the yellowing newspaper and began to remember a day seven years before when as an eight-year-old he, his father, and his uncle were caught in a terrorist attack and their days as hostages began. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 1982.

Invitation to the Game RC 38939
by Monica Hughes
read by June Carter
1 cassette
The year is 2154, and robots dominate the labor market. Upon graduation from high school, Lisse and seven friends are sent to a DA (Designated Area) for the unemployed. They resign themselves to a boring existence until they receive an invitation to The Game. Through computer simulation they experience life in an unfamiliar, untamed setting. As the sessions intensify, the teenagers realize that the game has become reality. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 1990.

Mike's Mystery RC 38942
by Gertrude Chandler Warner
read by Marilyn Gleason
1 cassette
The Alden children—Henry, Jessie, Violet, and Benny—can't wait for summer vacation so they can get back to Mystery Ranch, where Aunt Jane lives. Last summer uranium was discovered on the ranch, and stores, churches, and schools have come with the influx of miners. An old friend from back East, Mike Wood, has also moved nearby. When his house burns down in a mysterious fire, Mike is a prime suspect. A Boxcar Children mystery for grades 3-6 and older readers. 1960.

A Break with Charity: A Story about the Salem Witch Trials RC 38950
by Ann Rinaldi
read by Marilyn Gleason
2 cassettes
Boredom and frustration in a small Puritan town provide fertile ground for a band of teenage girls to incite and nurture deadly mischief. Susanna English, caught between the desire to be part of the group and her revulsion from their wickedness, finds herself an unwilling party to what would become the Salem witch trials of 1692. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 1992.

Horror at the Haunted House RC 38957
by Peg Kehret
read by Ardyth Heller
1 cassette
Ellen and her younger brother Corey are thrilled to participate in a haunted house project to help raise money to convert an old mansion into a museum. Upon entering the place, Ellen feels an uncomfortable presence and soon realizes that she is being haunted by the ghost of a young woman named Lydia. Overcoming her fear of Lydia's ghost, Ellen unravels a mystery involving Lydia's fabulous collection of Wedgwood china. For grades 5-7 and older readers. 1992.

The Greatest Idea Ever RC 38961
by Joan Carris
read by Janet Daley
1 cassette
Gus Howard's family has returned to the States from England and has resettled in a small Ohio town—a pretty mo-

mentous change for Gus. The irrepressible fourth-grader is constantly in trouble as he seeks revenge on the class tattletale, Nanny; tries to train his new dog; and organizes a school art show. For grades 3-6. 1990.

I'm Emma: I'm a Quint RC 38965
by Stella Pevsner
read by Anne Mullen
1 cassette
In this sequel to *Sister of the Quints (RC 28763)*, Emma, one of the quintuplets, must figure out whether she wants the notoriety of being a quint or whether she wants to stand out from the crowd. At thirteen, Emma struggles to find and maintain her individuality as she attends acting classes, prepares for her half-sister Natalie's wedding, and enjoys her first romance. For grades 5-8. 1993.

Salamandastron RC 39228
by Brian Jacques
read by David Palmer
2 cassettes
This tale centers on the badgers and hares of the castle of Salamandastron in the mountains near the sea. The castle is under attack by evil Ferahgo the Assassin and his band of vermin that includes his bloodthirsty son, Klitch. Urthstripe the Strong, a wise old badger, leads the animals of Salamandastron and Redwall Abbey against his old enemy. Companion to *Redwall (RC 29729)*. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 1992.

Soccer Circus RC 39438
by Jamie Gilson
read by David Palmer
1 cassette
Hobie Hanson is well known for his antics—like riding his bike through wet cement. His dad promises to confiscate Hobie's bike if he gets into any more trouble, so Hobie will be walking on eggshells during his soccer team's overnight stay at the Megadome Motel. Nevertheless Hobie becomes embroiled in a murder mystery weekend and participates in a clown wedding. Companion to *Hobie Hanson, You're Weird (RC 27440)*. For grades 3-6. 1993.

Best of Enemies RC 39454
by Carolyn Keene
read by Kerry Cundiff
1 cassette
Frank and Joe Hardy have come to Memphis to help an American spy stationed in the former East Berlin come home. A man named Pritchitt has promised to turn the agent over—for a price. Nancy Drew is in Memphis to aid Beau Davis, an overzealous Elvis fan accused of stealing his guitar. Now Davis has become the prime suspect in the murder of Pritchitt, and the sleuths team up to solve the case. A Nancy Drew/Hardy Boys book for grades 4-7. 1991.

Shadow Boxer RC 39462
by Chris Lynch
read by Jack Fox
1 cassette
After his father, a professional boxer, dies at an early age from years of being battered, George is left as the man of the house to steer his younger brother from the trouble that lurks in their tough, inner-city Boston streets. George and his mother's biggest fear is realized when Monty, eleven, begins to hang around and train at a local boxing gym run by the boys' uncle Archie. Some strong language. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 1993.

Dragon Cauldron RC 39669
by Laurence Yep
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
The dragon princess, Shimmer; the now-friendly witch, Civet; humans Thorn and Indigo; and the wizard, Monkey, unite in a quest to have a cauldron repaired by Snail Woman and the smith. They plan to use the cauldron's magic to reclaim the dragon's lost sea home. But things get in the way, and they make mistakes, including the accidental release of the Nameless One, an evil spirit. Sequel to *Dragon Steel (RC 26539)*. For grades 5-8. 1991.

The Girls Get Even RC 39670
by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor
read by John Polk
1 cassette
In this sequel to *The Boys Start the War (RC 39425)*, the Hatford brothers continue their feud with their new neighbors, the Malloy sisters, who have moved to West Virginia from Ohio. The families become fierce competitors in the school's Halloween costume contest and privately agree that the losers will be slaves to the winners for an entire month. For grades 3-6. 1993.

When the Water Closes over My Head RC 39779
by Donna Jo Napoli
read by Ilona Dulaski
1 cassette
Mikey Nelson, nine, is afraid of the water. He and his family are spending their summer vacation with his grandparents in Iowa, and Mikey knows that his entire family will be expecting him to overcome his fear and learn to swim. Mikey, who worries about death and unknown dangers, tries repeatedly to arm himself—with a slingshot, a knife, a toy gun. But what Mikey really needs is confidence. For grades 2-4. 1994.

The Melinda Zone RC 39845
by Margaret Willey
read by Diane Page
1 cassette
Shuttling back and forth between her divorced parents all her life has left fifteen-year-old Melinda (called Mindy by her mom and Linda by her dad and stepmother) in an emotional no-man's-land, lacking a sense of identity. For the first time, she spends a summer away from both parents with her aunt, uncle, and older cousin. With solitude and the help of a friend, Melinda forges a new independence and a stronger sense of self. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 1993.

The Queen's Smuggler RC 40074
by Dave and Neta Jackson
read by George Holmes
1 cassette
Sarah Poyntz is the daughter of an English merchant who lives in Belgium and plies the North Sea with goods to sell. Sarah knows that her father also smuggles copies of the New Testament translated into English by William Tyndale, who fled from England as an outlaw for refusing to stop his work. When Tyndale is betrayed and arrested, Sarah's daring plan to smuggle an English New Testament to Queen Anne is his only hope. For grades 3-6 and older readers. 1991.

My Brother, My Sister, and I RC 40136
by Yoko Kawashima Watkins
read by Yolande Bavan
2 cassettes
Sequel to *So Far from the Bamboo Grove (RC 27295)*. Yoko, thirteen, her brother Hideyo, twenty-one, and her

sister Ko, seventeen, were forced from their comfortable home in Korea. Their mother has died en route, and their father's fate as a POW is unknown. As they struggle to survive as refugees in post-World War II Japan, they live in a warehouse until it burns down and they are accused of arson and murder. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 1994.

Me, My Sister, and I RC 40149
by Mary E. Ryan
read by Nona Pipes
1 cassette
When asked to write an essay entitled "What You Can Do to Make a Difference," eighth-grader and identical twin Mattie can't think of anything. Her biggest problem is whom to ask to the Sadie Hawkins dance, good-looking Cam or brainy Nelson. Desperate, she writes about the political campaign her mother is working with and begins to identify with the issues of the candidate. Sequel to *My Sister Is Driving Me Crazy (RC 40037)*. For grades 6-9. 1992.

The Pike River Phantom RC 40159
by Betty Ren Wright
read by Michael Pinney
1 cassette
Charlie Hocking and his ex-convict father have moved to Pike River. While helping his cousin, Rachel, sell candy bars, Charlie meets a bizarre old woman in an apparently abandoned house. When Charlie tells his family about her, they suspect he is lying. But his investigation leads him and Rachel to the startling conclusion that the strange, increasingly youthful woman is a ghost, Pike River's real "Sunbonnet Queen," bent on revenge. For grades 4-7. 1988.

Tanya's Big Green Dream RC 40170
by Linda Glaser
read by Robin Miles
1 cassette
Tanya, nine, wants her Earth Day project to be really spectacular, after her disastrous science fair entry. She decides to plant a tree, a project her teacher calls "ambitious." But Tanya soon discovers that it won't be easy—she must find a spot to plant the tree and raise thirty dollars to buy the sapling. For grades 3-6. 1994.

Amelia Bedelia RC 40183
by Peggy Parish
read by Catherine Byers
1 cassette (Reissue)
When Amelia Bedelia shows up for her first day of work as a housekeeper, her new employer, Mrs. Rogers, gives her a list of things to do and drives away. Amelia is puzzled by the instructions but follows them anyway. She dresses the chicken in a little outfit, dusts the furniture with dusting powder, and cuts up the towels to change them. For grades K-3. 1963.

Matzah Ball: A Passover Story RC 40185
by Mindy Avra Portnoy
read by Michael Pinney
1 cassette
Aaron is a big fan of the Baltimore Orioles, and he has a chance to attend an upcoming game. There is just one problem: the game is during Passover and that means he can't eat all the great junk food at the ball park. Instead he must take his own lunch of matzah, tuna, and macaroons. But a strange thing happens at the ball park, and suddenly Aaron doesn't feel so bad about his special food. For grades K-3. 1994.

The Ghost Comes Calling RC 40186
by Betty Ren Wright
read by Michael Pinney
1 cassette
When nine-year-old Chad's father gets a good deal on an old log cabin by the lake, Chad's older and wiser friend Jeannie implies there is a ghost on the premises, and she's right. Many years ago Tim Tapper was accused of causing an accident while driving a group of kids in his truck. The real culprit was an icy road, and Tim actually saved the children from harm. Chad must find a way to put the wronged ghost to rest. For grades 3-6. 1994.

The Magnificent Mummy Maker RC 40194
by Elvira Woodruff
read by Michael Pinney
1 cassette
Although Andy Manetti misses his deceased mother, he loves his dad, his new baby sister, and even his stepmother. But his stepbrother Jason, "Mr. Gifted," is wrecking Andy's life, making his ordinary ten-year-old accomplishments no longer seem enough for his family. Then Andy has a weird experience in a museum, where a mummy's spirit apparently enters him and leads him to make a much-praised drawing that has the power to grant his wishes. For grades 4-7. 1994.

The Cuckoo Clock of Doom RC 40218
by R.L. Stine
read by Terence Aselford
1 cassette
Michael Webster's sister Tara is a terror who is always getting him in trouble. She is seven and he is twelve, and she has made the last seven years of his life miserable. But things really change when their dad brings home an antique cuckoo clock. For grades 4-6. Bestseller 1995.

Behind the Lines RC 40234
by Isabelle Holland
read by Lynn Schrichte
1 cassette
New York City, 1863. Katie, a motherless fourteen-year-old Irish Catholic girl, is working as a maid for the Laceys —wealthy English Protestants—to help support her family. The Civil War has been raging for two years and the North has instituted a new military draft that allows a wealthy draftee to pay a poor white man to take his place. The result is a bloody race riot and a moral dilemma for Katie. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 1994.

Dither Farm RC 40236
by Sid Hite
read by Lynn Schrichte
2 cassettes
On a hot day in Willow County, Virginia, Henry Dither finally stops and speaks to Clementine Gooden. Their courting gradually leads to marriage. As a gift, Clementine's Aunt Emma gives them her farm, since she lives in Iceland and doesn't need it. Before long Henry and Clementine have a successful business and four children. But life still moves in its own slow way—until Aunt Emma comes to visit. For grades 6-9. 1992.

Tiger, Tiger, Burning Bright RC 40237
by Ron Koertge
read by Robert Sams
1 cassette
When Jesse's father left Jesse and his mother, they moved in with her father, Pappy. Pappy is old and becoming senile, and Jesse's mother is talking about

finding a nursing home for him. But thirteen-year-old Jesse does not want that to happen. After all, Pappy has taught him everything he knows—camping, tracking, respect for the land, and fairness to others. But Jesse may be becoming too protective of Pappy. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 1994.

Into the Land of the Unicorns: The Unicorn Chronicles, Book 1 RC 40262
by Bruce Coville
read by Pam Ward
1 cassette
When eleven-year-old Cara jumps from the church bell tower into the Land of Luster, home of the unicorns, she just misses being caught on Earth. Cara guards a magic amulet and a special message given to her by her grandmother as she goes off to meet the unicorn queen. Accompanying her is an assortment of friends, including Lightfoot (a rebellious teenage unicorn), Dimblethum, and Squijum. For grades 4-7. 1994.

Becky's Brainstorm: The Twelve Candles Club, Book 1 RC 40271
by Elaine L. Schulte
read by Pam Ward
1 cassette
Distressed by the news that she, her little sister, and her widowed mother can't afford to live in California anymore, Becky has a brainstorm at her twelfth birthday party. She and her three friends will form the Twelve Candles Club and do odd jobs all summer to earn enough money for Becky's family to stay. They hope homemade greeting cards and housecleaning mixed with a lot of prayers will solve Becky's problem. For grades 3-6. 1992.

Too Many Secrets RC 40294
by Patricia H. Rushford
read by Nona Pipes
1 cassette
Jennie McGrady is looking forward to her sixteenth birthday present: a vacation in Florida with her grandmother. But she is dismayed when her mother becomes engaged even though Jennie's long-missing father was never declared dead. Then Jennie learns Gram, a former police officer turned writer, has been declared a fugitive from justice! Jennie and Gram's neighbor Ryan set out to uncover the truth. For grades 6-9. 1993.

***The Ox of the Wonderful Horns* and Other African Folktales RC 40304**
retold by Ashley Bryan
read by John Horton
1 cassette (Reissue)
Five folktales from Africa. The title story is a tale of a neglected boy who makes his fortune with the help of a magic ox. In "Ananse the Spider in Search of a Fool," Ananse learns that when one seeks to make a fool of another, he is bound to make a bigger fool of himself. For grades 3-6. 1971.

Julie RC 40306
by Jean Craighead George
read by Catherine Byers
1 cassette
In this sequel to *Julie of the Wolves (RC 34451)*, Julie returns home to Alaska. At first she resents her father, Kapugen, for killing the wolf who saved her life and for marrying a non-Eskimo woman, but she learns to respect him as an honorable man who has the best interests of his village at heart. Julie looks for ways to help the wolves survive and in time develops an interest of her own

in a young Siberian Eskimo. For grades 5-8. 1994.

Chevrolet Saturdays RC 40325
by Candy Dawson Boyd
read by Patricia Martin
1 cassette
Joey Davis is not having a good year. Fourth grade was great. He liked his teacher, Miss Alder; he had good grades; and he loved science. But this year everything seems wrong. His new teacher, Mrs. Hamlin, doesn't like science or him, and he keeps forgetting his homework. Worst of all, Joey's family has broken up and his mother has married Mr. Johnson. But it is Mr. Johnson who helps Joey solve his problems. For grades 4-7. 1993.

The Case of the Desperate Drummer: A McGurk Mystery RC 40343
by E.W. Hildick
read by Terence Aselford
1 cassette
McGurk and members of his detective organization know that to be an effective agency, they must be able to provide protection for their clients and witnesses. Each member has made a dummy to use in their training program, and some prove to be more successful than others in protecting their dummies. But will their practicing prove helpful when they try to protect a world-famous drummer? For grades 3-6. 1993.

The Scariest Night RC 40345
by Betty Ren Wright
read by Lynn Schrichte
1 cassette
Twelve-year-old Erin Lindsay is not happy about spending the summer in Milwaukee just so her genius foster brother can take piano lessons. She loves ghosts and had planned a scary summer back home. But she finds that the apartment her family is renting is in the only building left on a torn-up street. And the other tenants are old and interesting, especially Molly Panca, who holds seances and has a group of dolls that seem to be alive. For grades 3-6. 1991.

Just Call Me Stupid RC 40366
by Tom Birdseye
read by Grainne Cassidy
1 cassette
Fifth-grader Patrick Lowe's special-reading teacher seems mad at him, and mean Andy calls him stupid, just as Patrick's father did before he moved away. When new classmate Celina moves in next door, she begins reading Patrick *The Sword in the Stone* and plays chess with him. Patrick tells her a story he made up about a white knight, and Celina is so impressed she secretly enters it in a writing contest. For grades 3-6. 1993.

The Champion RC 40420
by Maurice Gee
read by John Horton
1 cassette
In 1943 Rex, twelve, lives in the small village of Kettle Creek, New Zealand. One February morning, Rex's mother informs him that he will have a guest in his room for the next few weeks—an American soldier who needs some time to recuperate from battle wounds. Rex is upset when he learns that Jackson Coop is a Negro, yet Jack will have a profound effect on Rex and the entire village during his stay. For grades 6-9. 1989.

Rimwalkers RC 40428
by Vicki Grove
read by Nona Pipes
1 cassette
Science buff Tory, fourteen, and her popular, talented younger sister Sara are spending the summer on their grandparents' farm. Tory is grateful for the companionship of her quiet cousin Elijah and even begins to like her pushy cousin Rennie as the three try to solve the mystery of a boy who appears in the window of an abandoned building. But Sara, left out for the first time in her life, reacts strangely. For grades 6-9. 1993.

Foreign Language Books

The following cassette titles are available in the languages designated.

Spanish

Nosotros y el Universo RC 38817
por Rafael Decelis Contreras
léido por Juan Ramirez
1 cassette
Un científico mexicano discute la relacíon entre el hombre y el universo en términos científicos, filosóficos y religiosos. El se pregunta: "¿quiénes somos nosotros?" "¿de dónde vinimos?" y "¿adondé vamos?" Luego describe la naturaleza física de la materia y la energía que componen el universo y ve la continua evolución del hombre y el universo como copartícipes de la Creación. (A Mexican scientist discusses the relationship between human beings and the universe in scientific, philosophical, and religious terms. He poses the questions, "Who are we?" "Where did we come from?" and "Where are we going?" He then describes the physical nature of matter and energy and looks at the continuing evolution of human beings and the universe as coparticipants in creation.) 1983.

Cae la Noche Tropical RC 38820
por Manuel Puig
léido por Maria Pino
2 cassettes
Dos hermanas mayores, Luci y Nidia, que viven ahora en Río de Janeiro en un exilio impuesto por ellas mismas, comienzan a narrar este conmovedor cuento a través de una conversacíon casual. Ellas encuentran consuelo en el chismorreo inocente, y poco a poco su limitado mundo se convierte en un paisaje en miniatura repleto de relaciones enredadas, engaños, violencia política, fantasía, belleza y una interminable búsqueda de amor. (Two elderly sisters, Luci and Nidia, now living in self-imposed exile in Rio de Janeiro, begin to narrate this poignant tale through casual conversation. They find solace in innocent gossip, and slowly their confined world becomes a miniature landscape replete with tangled relationships, deceptions, political violence, fantasy, beauty, and a never-ending search for love.) 1988.

Historia de America Latina **RC 38821**
por German Vazquez and
Nelson Martinez Diaz
léido por Juan Ramirez
2 cassettes
Introducción de la historia de América Latina desde los tiempos precolombinos hasta 1990. Comenzando con una descripción de la geografía de la América Latin de hoy, la historia describe las culturas y civilizaciones prehispánicas; el descubrimiento, la exploración y la conquista por los europeos; y la historia de los períodos colonial y moderno de América Latina. (Introductory history of Latin America from pre-Columbian times to 1990. Beginning with a description of the geography of present-day Latin America, the history describes the pre-Hispanic cultures and civilizations; the discovery, exploration, and conquest by Europeans; and the colonial and modern periods of Latin America.) 1990.

Talking Book Magazines

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Collection Advisory Group

The May-June issue of *Talking Book Topics (TBT)* contained names and addresses of representatives to NLS's National Advisory Group on Collection-Building Activities, which will meet September 18–20, 1996. You are invited to contact your committee representative with your ideas and suggestions about the NLS book collections.

The name of the reader-at-large representative for the Western Region, which was not available for publication in the May-June issue, has been announced. She is

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Annual Catalog Survey

Patrons will soon be able to select and order NLS catalogs and bibliographies that will be issued during 1997. A large-print order form will be mailed to patrons who subscribe to *TBT* early this fall. The form will give patrons the opportunity to order upcoming publications, such as *Cassette Books 1996* and *Braille Books 1995–1996*. Catalogs and bibliographies ordered will be sent directly to patrons when the publications are produced.

Scourby Awards Announced

The American Foundation for the Blind (AFB) presented its tenth Alexander Scourby Narrator of the Year Awards to honor excellence in talking-book narration. AFB awarded prizes to narrators for three categories: fiction, nonfiction, and children's literature.

The award-winning narrators are Chuck Benson, Talking Book Publishers, Inc., for fiction; Lou Harpenau, American Printing House for the Blind, for nonfiction; and Catherine Byers, AFB, for children's literature. The annual Scourby Award was established in 1986 in memory of the popular talking-book narrator who died in 1985.

Newsstand

The following announcements may be of interest to readers. The National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped reserves the right to publish announcements selectively, as space permits. Items mentioned, however, are not part of the NLS program, and their listing does not imply endorsement.

Cassette Magazines. Recorded Periodicals has added five new cassette magazines to its recording service: *Civil War Times Illustrated*, *Harvard Women's Health Watch*, *Organic Gardening*, *Pennsylvania Magazine*, and *Taste of Home Cooking Magazine*. A free cassette or large-print catalog lists twenty-four magazines that are offered on a subscription basis for prices ranging from $22 to $57 a year. For more information, contact Recorded Periodicals, Associated Services for the Blind, 919 Walnut Street, Philadelphia, PA 19107, telephone (215) 627-0600.

Boxing tapes. The Fight Tape Exchange offers more than one hundred boxing fights originally broadcast on radio sports programs. The collection includes cassette tapes of boxing classics from the 1930s and 1940s, as well as contemporary matches. Prices range from $8 to $12 per fight. For a free cassette or print listing, contact Fight Tape Exchange, 9822 West Morgan Avenue, Milwaukee, WI 53228, telephone (414) 321-9555.

Books for Adults

Books listed in this issue of *Talking Book Topics* were recently sent to cooperating libraries. The complete collection contains books by many authors on fiction and nonfiction subjects, including biographies, classics, gothics, mysteries, romances, and others. Contact your cooperating library to learn more about the wide range of books available in the collection.

In this listing, books on flexible disc are labeled with the code FD and cassette books with the code RC. All disc books have been recorded to play at the speed of 8 rpm; the cassette books play at 15/16 ips. Cassette titles marked with a dagger (†) were produced earlier on flexible discs. To order disc or cassette books, fill out the order form and send it to your cooperating library.

Note: For the information of the reader, a notice may appear immediately following the book description to indicate occurrences of strong language, explicit descriptions of sex, or violence. The words "some" before any of these terms indicates an occasional or infrequent occurrence, as in "some strong language."

Discs Fiction

The Apocalypse Watch FD 39881
by Robert Ludlum
read by Chuck Benson
13 flexible discs
Harry Latham, aka Alexander Lassiter, has infiltrated the headquarters of the neo-Nazi organization Brotherhood of the Watch. They know he is an imposter, though, so his list of Nazi supporters in the United States and allied countries may be false. His brother Drew suspects the list is fake, and when Harry is killed, Drew assumes his identity in hopes of learning the truth. Violence and strong language. Bestseller 1995.

Cassettes Nonfiction

Opera in America: A Cultural History RC 38311
by John Dizikes
read by James DeLotel
5 cassettes
A general history of the American operatic scene, including musical comedy, the musical, and operetta. Dizikes describes opera as it was originally imported from Europe and as it was transformed in the U.S. Amid stories of memorable productions, splendid theaters, and great artists are tales about backstage workers and makeshift stages, and about the appreciative audiences who encourage the art form to flourish. 1993.

Domesticity: A Gastronomic Interpretation of Love RC 39023
by Bob Shacochis
read by Bob Kuhn
2 cassettes
The author, a columnist for *GQ*, provides a "prose stew" of comments on life with his live-in companion, Miss F., and on cooking gastronomical treats that prove the way to a woman's heart is through her stomach. While Miss F. goes to work each day, Shacochis stays home to write and cook in order to supply their basic needs for love, security, and food. Includes about seventy-five recipes. Some strong language. 1994.

Neon Vernacular: New and Selected Poems RC 39100
by Yusef Komunyakaa
read by Jim Zeiger
1 cassette
Winner of 1993 Pulitzer Prize. A dozen new poems capture a southern childhood and memories of two women talking the "blues" in the kitchen or out finding a cache of wild fruit. Older selections reveal the African American poet's hurt when he is mistaken for something he is not or when he has to kill the enemy in Vietnam. Some strong language. 1993.

The Bell Curve: Intelligence and Class Structure in American Life RC 39153
by Richard J. Herrnstein and Charles Murray
read by Lou Harpenau
7 cassettes
The authors assert that information and the intellectual ability to use it separate the "haves" from the "have nots" in American society. The authors' stated goal is to convince public policy makers to acknowledge that differences in ability exist, that reliance on prejudicial assumptions is wrong, and that open discussion of class intelligence is vital. Bestseller 1994.

Diddy Waw Diddy: Passage of an American Son RC 39344
by Billy Porterfield
read by Bob Askey
3 cassettes
When the author's grandfather died in 1938, his family piled into the car, left their Oklahoma farm, and headed for the Texas oil fields. Along the way they found odd jobs, hard times, assorted characters, adventure, and teachers determined to instill good English in the children. For the next seventeen years, they roamed the Southwest in search of Diddy Waw Diddy, or the final resting place. Strong language. 1994.

Knight's Cross: A Life of Field Marshal Erwin Rommel RC 39349
by David Fraser
read by Jake Williams
5 cassettes
A British officer and historian analyzes what made the famous World War II German general a man respected by both sides. The author credits Rommel's infantry training in World War I, together with his talent for war maneuvers and his relish for the challenges of combat. Fraser shows how Rommel realized that the Allies would defeat Hitler, and how Hitler's suspicions cost Rommel his life. 1993.

Contemporary's GED: Newly Revised RC 39445
edited by Patricia Mulcrone
read by various narrators
10 cassettes
Preparation for the high school equivalency examination, which is available in print, in braille, and in audio recorded form. Exam subjects include writing skills, social studies, science, literature and the arts, and mathematics. Pre-tests are provided to determine problem areas, and exercises and lessons are included for each subject. Post-tests chart progress in each area. 1994.

Stardust otel: Poems RC 39469
by Paul B. Janeczko
read by David Palmer
1 cassette
Leary, who describes his parents as "flower children, Woodstock lovers," is nearly fifteen. These thirty poems tell of his life, his friends, and the residents of

the Stardust otel (the H fell off when he was born and has never been replaced) owned by his parents. For junior and senior high readers. 1993.

The Internet Complete Reference RC 39665
by Harley Hahn and Rick Stout
read by John Richardson
6 cassettes
Guide to a worldwide group of information resources available through an international computer network. Following a general introduction, the first few chapters explain the basics and give some technical details. The remaining chapters need not be read in any specific order, but can be consulted according to one's interests. Among the many appended resources is an extensive list of Usenet discussion groups. 1994.

Fields of Greens: New Vegetarian Recipes from the Celebrated Greens Restaurant RC 39674
by Annie Somerville
read by Patricia McDermott
3 cassettes
The chef of the Greens Restaurant in San Francisco provides recipes for "lighter, leaner, simpler" vegetarian dishes. Examples are ravioli filled with eggplant, roasted garlic, and romano cheese; leek and olive tarts; and warm black beans with chilies and cilantro. Notes throughout help in selecting ingredients and encourage using organically grown vegetables. 1993.

Traveling in Italy with Henry James: Essays RC 39675
by Henry James
read by Fred Major
3 cassettes
Letters to friends and family and essays about a total of fourteen trips to Italy taken by the Victorian novelist. Arranged geographically by editor Fred Kaplan, selections describe travel to Venice, Rome, Florence, Naples, and the countryside in between at the time when Italy was first united into a secular state. 1994.

I. Asimov: A Memoir RC 39676
by Isaac Asimov
read by Andy Chappell
4 cassettes
Published posthumously, this autobiography of the grand master of science fiction offers topical and anecdotal essays spanning Asimov's life from 1920 to 1992. Asimov uses humor, insight, and candor in describing the people and events of his life, including his Russian-immigrant parents, his prolific writing career, his acquaintances with other authors, his marriages and family life, and his views on topics ranging from religion to computers. 1994.

The New Complete Labrador Retriever: Third Edition RC 39681
by Helen Warwick
read by Randy Atcher
3 cassettes
Study of the origins, development, and behavior of the Labrador retriever. This Newfoundland breed, introduced first in England by the nineteenth century and then to the United States in the early 1930s, competes in both field and show trials, is a favorite with police officers, has gained top rank as a guide dog, and is extremely popular as a pet. 1986.

God of My Father: A Son's Reflections on His Father's Walk of Faith RC 39682
by Larry Crabb Jr. and
Lawrence Crabb Sr.
read by Jack Fox
1 cassette
In 1988, while visiting his parents, Larry Crabb came across a notebook in which his father had scribbled his "midnight ramblings." Crabb presents these observations, which gave him an insight into the man who has been his mentor for about fifty years, and adds his own thoughts on how his father's life has influenced him. 1994.

Raising Lazarus RC 39683
by Robert Jon Pensack and
Dwight Arnan Williams
read by Roy Avers
2 cassettes
A physician-psychiatrist recounts his struggle with hypertrophic cardiomyopathy, including his mother's death from the same condition. With the help of a professional writer, Pensack retraces years of suffering from physical and mental problems related to his failing heart, and describes in detail how transplant surgery combined with the will to survive created a miracle. Strong language. 1994.

Dangerous Passage: The Santa Fe Trail and the Mexican War RC 39684
by William Y. Chalfant
read by Butch Hoover
2 cassettes
Set in the late 1840s, this is the story of a road that ran from Independence, Missouri, to Santa Fe, New Mexico, and the role it played in the Mexican War and in claiming southwestern territory for the United States. The road, known as the Santa Fe Trail, played an equally dramatic role during encounters with Native Americans that soon escalated into the Indian Wars. 1994.

***The Prince:* A Revised Translation, Backgrounds, Interpretations, Marginalia; Second Edition RC 39689**
by Niccolò Machiavelli
read by Roy Avers
3 cassettes
A sixteenth-century minor politician wrote this guide to the acquisition, use, and maintenance of political power. "Backgrounds" draws on the author's other writings to put this noted Italian in historical perspective. "Interpretations" is a selection of eight scholarly essays on *The Prince*. "Marginalia" consists of eight diverse selections related to both the author and the work. 1992.

The Evolution of Desire: Strategies of Human Mating RC 39690
by David M. Buss
read by Bruce Huntey
2 cassettes
Relying on an international study, the author concludes that "instinct" plays a greater role in human mating behavior than has previously been acknowledged. Buss addresses topics such as what men and women want; how each views casual sex; and how to attract, keep, or break up with a partner. He stresses the deep bonds that unite humans in contrast to the superficial differences that separate the sexes. 1994.

Doctors and Patients: What We Feel about You RC 39691
by Peter H. Berczeller
read by Randy Atcher
2 cassettes
Believing people should be made aware of the complex feelings doctors have toward their patients and about disease,

Berczeller recounts incidents from more than thirty years as an internist. He discusses aspects of practicing medicine such as dealing with the patient's family, playing God, having sexual feelings for patients, charging for services, and giving bad news, and he advises on choosing a doctor. 1994.

The Diplomats: 1939–1979 RC 39692
edited by Gordon A. Craig and Francis L. Loewenheim
read by Lou Harpenau
6 cassettes
Sequel to *The Diplomats: 1919–1939 (RC 39566)*. The editors have broadened their scope in this volume to cover a longer period and to consider the role of diplomats worldwide. Essays deal with the global conflict that erupted in 1939, the cold war, détente, and the impact of the media on the conduct and policies of ambassadors, heads of state, foreign ministers, and professional diplomats. 1994.

God Is Red: A Native View of Religion; the Classic Work Updated RC 39696
by Vine Deloria Jr.
read by Randy Atcher
3 cassettes
The Native American religious view locates the human species within the fabric of life that constitutes the natural world, the land, and all the various forms of life. Professor Deloria contrasts respect for the sacredness of places with the Christian view of the world as a testing ground of abstract morality. He believes the survival of the planet depends on a radical shift in religious viewpoint. 1994.

The Great Depression: America in the 1930s RC 39697
by T.H. Watkins
read by Art Metzler
3 cassettes
A companion to a public television series, this volume tells the story of a decade that began in disaster. The author chronicles the aftermath of the financial crisis of 1929, which produced fear and suffering on a national scale. But out of it Watkins finds an optimism and a sense of connectedness that reshaped American attitudes. 1993.

The Portable MBA in Entrepreneurship RC 39698
by William D. Bygrave
read by Ray Foushee
4 cassettes
Estimating that the nation will need at least fifteen million new entrepreneurs by the end of the century, businessman and professor Bygrave provides guidelines for "anyone who wants to get involved in the birth and growth of an enterprise." Topics covered include recognizing a high-potential opportunity, creating a business, financing, marketing, and "harvesting" cash flows from the investment. 1994.

Les Paul: An American Original RC 39699
by Mary Alice Shaughnessy
read by Bruce Huntey
2 cassettes
The story of Les Paul is told by a reporter for *People* magazine. Paul began his entertainment career in Waukesha, Wisconsin, playing an electronically amplified guitar augmented with a harmonica brace and a washtub drum. This penchant for innovation also led Paul, later accompanied by his wife, Mary

Ford, to over-dub parts on recordings. Resulting albums often topped the charts until the advent of rock and roll. Some strong language. 1993.

The Making of a Soviet Scientist: My Adventures in Nuclear Fusion and Space from Stalin to Star Wars RC 39700
by Roald Z. Sagdeev
read by Butch Hoover
3 cassettes
Former director of the Soviet Space Research Institute reflects on his struggle to pursue scientific objectives when it seemed that the political, the military, and the space science communities had different agendas in mind. Sagdeev, who married President Eisenhower's granddaughter, chronicles his path from a Soviet nuclear research lab to an American academic post. 1994.

Confronting Authority: Reflections of an Ardent Protester RC 39703
by Derrick Bell
read by Butch Hoover
2 cassettes
In 1990, Bell, who twenty years earlier had become the first black law professor hired by Harvard Law School, took an unpaid leave from his position to protest that the law school had yet to hire a black woman law professor. Although his own act led to his firing, Bell stresses the value of individual protest and talks of other civil rights activists. Includes an illustrative fable and a synopsis of Bell's life. 1994.

Imperium RC 39704
by Ryszard Kapuściński
read by Roy Avers
3 cassettes
A Polish journalist's impressions of the Soviet Union based on his life in Poland during the Soviet invasion in 1939, his travels from Moscow to the furthest regions, and talks with people from all walks of life. In a series of essays, he ponders the disintegration of an empire built up over centuries and observes democratization efforts as they come up against bureaucracy, poverty, crime, and general decline. 1994.

In Defense of Elitism RC 39706
by William A. Henry III
read by Fred Major
2 cassettes
The author, a Pulitzer Prize-winning theater critic and journalist for *Time*, claims that American society needs a large dose of elitism to correct the country's swing toward egalitarianism. Appalled by what he perceives as a rapid trend toward mediocrity, Henry advocates rewarding individual responsibility, citing hard work, intelligence, and talent as the basis for recognition. 1994.

Boulevard of Broken Dreams: The Life, Times, and Legend of James Dean RC 39712
by Paul Alexander
read by Barry Bernson
2 cassettes
In 1955 twenty-four-year-old actor James Dean died in an automobile crash. Although he acted in only three movies, Dean is considered by some to be "the greatest actor that ever lived." Alexander claims that Dean had multiple homosexual relationships and attributes Dean's popularity in part to his sexual appeal to both genders. Some strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

Mississippi Mud: A True Story from a Corner of the Deep South RC 39713
by Edward Humes
read by Roy Avers
3 cassettes
When a county judge and his mayoral-candidate wife were murdered in 1987, their daughter was dissatisfied with the investigation that the local police force in Biloxi, Mississippi, mounted. So she hired a private investigator and soon learned that her suspicions were well-founded. It seems that her father was the target of an organized-crime operation. 1994.

My Life as a Radical Lawyer RC 39714
by William M. Kunstler and Sheila Isenberg
read by Bruce Huntey
3 cassettes
Throughout his career, civil-rights attorney Kunstler has defended "misfits who have no clout." Former clients include 1960s activists the Chicago Seven and, more recently, Gregory Lee Johnson, who burned the American flag, and Muslim El Sayyid Nosair, who was charged with the murder of Rabbi Meir Kahane. Kunstler's legal style earned him twenty-four counts of contempt of court in the Chicago Seven trial. 1994.

Wilhelm Tell RC 39715
by Johann Christoph Friedrich von Schiller
read by Fred Major
1 cassette
This classic in German literature, first published in 1805, became popular after Rossini used it as a libretto for an opera. The legend is based on the Swiss liberation movement. The hero is a quiet man, who is respected for his ability with a bow and arrow by the more militant elements of the politically active rebels. 1972.

Peripheral Visions: Learning along the Way RC 39718
by Mary Catherine Bateson
read by Janis Gray
2 cassettes
An anthropologist's examination of a lifetime of learning. Bateson, author of *Composing a Life (RC 34953)*, reflects on diverse experiences that created opportunities for her own intellectual growth and draws on those personal multicultural encounters to suggest a lifelong pattern of learning for everyone. 1994.

Living Well with MS: A Guide for Patient, Caregiver, and Family RC 39719
by David L. Carroll and Jon Dudley Dorman
read by Kerry Cundiff
2 cassettes
Describes the progress of a chronic neurological disorder known as multiple sclerosis, or MS. The authors cover the symptoms and diagnosis and offer practical advice on managing the disease that afflicts largely young adults and has no cure. Information deals with psychological as well as physical needs, exercise, nutrition, and medical mail-order sources. 1993.

When the Colts Belonged to Baltimore: A Father and a Son, a Team and a Time RC 39722
by William Gildea
read by Ray Foushee
2 cassettes
Recollections of Baltimore's first major-league team; the author's boyhood love affair with football, shared with his father in the 1950s; and the author's bonds with such players as Johnny

Unitas. The Colts moved out of town in the middle of the night in March 1984. Strong language. 1994.

Shade of the Raintree: The Life and Death of Ross Lockridge Jr., Author of *Raintree County* RC 39728

by Larry Lockridge
read by Andy Chappell
4 cassettes

Son of the author of *Raintree County* traces family history and provides insights into the creative process. Lockridge explores his family's literary tradition, revealing the impact of success and the fear of failure that his father experienced when he developed writer's block and committed suicide after publication of his bestselling novel in 1948. 1994.

Platforms: A Microwaved Cultural Chronicle of the 1970s RC 39729

by Pagan Kennedy
read by Carole Jordan Stewart
2 cassettes

Pop-culture critic Kennedy examines the decade in which she came of age. She reminisces about television shows like "Charlie's Angels" and the "Mod Squad," music played on fuzzy eight-track tapes, the ecology movement to stop littering planet Earth, blaxploitation movies, disco, CB radios, bell bottoms and pop-top vests, the end of the Vietnam War, Anita Bryant's anti-gay campaign, and more. Some strong language. 1994.

Successful Job Search Strategies for the Disabled: Understanding the ADA RC 39730

by Jeffrey G. Allen
read by Art Metzler
2 cassettes

Allen addresses the more than forty million Americans who are disabled, sixty percent of whom are unemployed. He offers advice on finding a job, gives an overview of the ADA, and discusses topics such as where jobs are, self-assessment for a job, what to disclose regarding a disability, interview guidelines, accommodations, and enforcement of the ADA guidelines. 1994.

On the Edge of Darkness: Conversations about Conquering Depression RC 39731

by Kathy Cronkite
read by Carole Jordan Stewart
2 cassettes

Having long battled depression herself, Cronkite uses her experience and those of noted people who share her illness to describe what depression is and the effect it has on people. Her interviewees include Mike Wallace, Dick Clark, Kitty Dukakis, John Kenneth Galbraith, and Rod Steiger. Their explanations are interspersed with those of medical specialists. Some strong language. 1994.

Spiders of the World RC 39732

by Rod and Ken Preston-Mafham
read by Butch Hoover
2 cassettes

More than 30,000 known species of spiders are in the Araneae order of the Arachnida class. To provide a basic introduction to this order, the authors discuss the general physical structure of spiders; their life history; and their mechanisms for mating, capturing prey, and defending themselves. Also provides descriptions of a representative sample of members of the species most likely to be encountered and a glossary. 1984.

Retirement Income on the House: Cashing in on Your Home with a "Reverse" Mortgage RC 39736
by Ken Scholen
read by Art Metzler
2 cassettes
For those who need more retirement income but don't want to give up their own homes, Scholen suggests a way of cashing in on house equity without making monthly payments: a reverse mortgage. He describes how it works, how much money might be obtained, risks and fees, and the different types of reverse mortgages available. But he warns that they aren't for everyone. 1993.

Audrey Hepburn: A Biography RC 39738
by Warren G. Harris
read by Mitzi Friedlander
3 cassettes
Born to a Dutch baroness in 1929, Hepburn suffered a childhood marred by Hitler's war. Recovering from malnutrition, she resumed ballet lessons but was too far behind and already too tall to be a professional ballerina. A bit part in a movie brought her to the attention of author Colette, who chose Hepburn to star on Broadway as Gigi. Her films include *Roman Holiday*, *Charade*, and *My Fair Lady*. Hepburn's final years were spent working for UNICEF. 1994.

The Day before America RC 39746
by William H. MacLeish
read by Butch Hoover
2 cassettes
The author examines the way animal life and the environment have changed during the past 18,000 years of North American history. Using the research of archaeologists, paleobiologists, anthropologists, and geologists, MacLeish addresses the human impact on this world, especially in the areas of ecology, population growth, and culture. 1994.

A Silence Opens: Poems RC 39748
by Amy Clampitt
read by Mitzi Friedlander
1 cassette
In some of these twenty-eight poems, Clampitt observes aspects of nature, everyday events, and familiar people and places. In others, she ponders more mystical topics, such as the voice of an opera diva, space travel, spring rituals, and poetic thoughts. The collection ends with "The Silence," in which preoccupations, questions, fears, pleasures, memories, and dreams open to a great silence. 1993.

Wrinkles in Time RC 39771
by George Smoot and Keay Davidson
read by Barrett Whitener
3 cassettes
Physicist Smoot conducted research into cosmology, and his findings lend powerful support to the Big Bang theory of universal creation. He describes his scientific work, requiring travel to remote parts of the earth, and provides a history of astronomical research from Galileo to the present. 1993.

Liberty and Sexuality: The Right to Privacy and the Making of *Roe v. Wade* RC 39823
by David J. Garrow
read by Ronald B. Meyer
7 cassettes
History of the people, politics, and places that influenced the legal battle between "pro-choice" and "pro-life" advocates in the United States and resulted in the 1973 decision that guaran-

tees a woman's right to choose abortion. 1994.

Snowshoeing through Sewers: Adventures in New York City, New Jersey, and Philadelphia RC 39842
by Michael Aaron Rockland
read by Ray Brown
1 cassette
In these ten essays, Rockland recounts his odysseys through urban America. He made most of the trips on his own, but several boating excursions included his friend Phil. Rockland circumnavigated Manhattan Island in a canoe, biked Route 1 through New Jersey—one of the busiest throughways in America—walked down the 275 blocks of Broadway, and hiked across Philadelphia. 1994.

Tinker in Television: From General Sarnoff to General Electric RC 39848
by Grant Tinker and Bud Rukeyser
read by Mo Lotman
2 cassettes
Tinker has managed both a network television company as well as his own production enterprise. Tinker, who frequently left a job in which he was doing well to move on to something totally different, began his career at NBC in 1949. He discusses his private life and his career, including his time at NBC, the formation of MTM Productions, and his shows, such as "Hill Street Blues." 1994.

†The Bubba Gump Shrimp Co. Cookbook RC 39877
read by Jamie Horton
1 cassette
More than seventy-five shrimp recipes from *Southern Living* and reflections ("Bubba was my best good friend, and even I know that's something you can't just find around the corner") from a Winston Groom novel that became a popular movie about a very simple, very likeable person—*Forrest Gump (RC 38876)*, who started the Bubba Gump Shrimp Company. Includes shrimp dishes to bake, barbecue, boil, fry, saute, and combine with sauce or slaw. 1994.

Over the Top RC 39887
by Zig Ziglar
read by Ed Blake
2 cassettes
To illustrate his point that the right kind of passion can lead to success, motivational speaker Ziglar provides stories of "average people whose accomplishments have dramatically exceeded their abilities." Calling this book a training tool, he gives guidelines to develop and direct "passion founded on an ethical, moral base," which he believes will help build the positive attitude needed for a fulfilling life. 1994.

Paula RC 39888
by Isabel Allende
read by Suzanne Toren
3 cassettes
Novelist Allende wrote *The House of the Spirits (RC 21524)* to say goodbye to her dying grandfather. She wrote this book to bring her comatose twenty-eight-year-old daughter, Paula, back to life. In case Paula has lost memories when she awakens, Allende tells her the story of their family. Intertwined is the story of Allende fighting to save her daughter, until Paula finally comes to her in a dream and asks to be released. Bestseller 1995.

Quivers RC 39892
by Robin Quivers
read by Gail Nelson
3 cassettes
Quivers, cohost of Howard Stern's controversial radio and television shows, tells of growing up in Baltimore, Maryland, and being sexually abused by her father. After therapy as an adult, Quivers severed all ties with her family in order to heal. She also describes her career and her hunt for the young foster child her parents cared for years before. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1995.

Laughing in the Dark: From Colored Girl to Woman of Color—a Journey from Prison to Power RC 40031
by Patrice Gaines
read by Robin Miles
3 cassettes
Journalist Gaines says, "We are born perfect . . . but as we grow, we forget. Then life becomes our journey back to perfection." Gaines tells of rising above drugs, crime, and an attraction to abusive men to become a prize-winning reporter for the *Washington Post*. She wrote her story to inspire the young people of the Washington community. Strong language and some violence. 1994.

Saint-Exupéry: A Biography RC 40034
by Stacy Schiff
read by Ed Blake
5 cassettes
Antoine de Saint-Exupéry began life as an "impoverished aristocrat." The young Frenchman trained as an aviator and worked as a mail pilot, suffered periods of exile for his political views, turned at times to literary pursuits, and met an untimely death in defense of his homeland during World War II. 1994.

***Wallenstein* and *Mary Stuart* RC 40044**
by Friedrich Schiller
read by George Holmes
3 cassettes
The late-eighteenth-century *Wallenstein* trilogy consists of "Wallenstein's Camp," a short one-act play, followed by "The Piccolomini" and "Wallenstein's Death," each in five acts, dealing with the Thirty Years' War. *Mary Stuart*, completed in 1800, also in five acts, is a tragedy concerning the power struggle between Catholic Mary Stuart of Scotland and her Protestant half sister, Elizabeth I of England. 1800.

Depardieu: A Biography RC 40045
by Paul Chutkow
read by Ken Kliban
3 cassettes
Drawing on years of interviews with the French film actor and conversations with his friends and colleagues, the author tracks Gérard Depardieu's rise to stardom. He shows how the actor grew up in an impoverished household, experienced both speech and hearing impairments, received little education, and got into trouble with the law before he discovered acting. Chutkow also discusses the differences between French and American filmmaking. 1994.

Armored Cav: A Guided Tour of an Armored Cavalry Regiment RC 40075
by Tom Clancy
read by Lou Harpenau
3 cassettes
After *Submarine: A Guided Tour inside a Nuclear Warship (RC 37742)*, the best-selling author of military fiction examines the special organization of the armored cavalry, its equipment, its

soldiers, its leaders, and how it fights. The focus is on the 3rd, or the "Brave Rifles," regiment that took part in the Persian Gulf War. Included are interviews with two cavalry leaders from that war. Bestseller 1994.

"With Bleeding Footsteps": Mary Baker Eddy's Path to Religious Leadership RC 40077
by Robert David Thomas
read by Janis Gray
4 cassettes
Places the founder of Christian Science in historical perspective, analyzing Eddy's life and work in the context of her nineteenth-century rural New England background. Thomas, trained in psychoanalysis, also explains Eddy's behavior in light of family relationships and circumstances that led her to embrace spiritual healing beliefs. 1994.

The Story of the Trapp Family Singers RC 40079
by Maria Augusta Trapp
read by Mitzi Friedlander
3 cassettes (Reissue)
Baroness von Trapp discusses her role as governess to seven motherless Austrian children, her marriage to their father, the development of the Trapp family singers, and their concert tours in Europe and America. *The Sound of Music* is based on this book. 1949.

Randall Jarrell: The Complete Poems RC 40083
by Randall Jarrell
read by David Palmer
2 cassettes
Collects Jarrell's previously published poems and his translations of some Rainer Maria Rilke poems. An introduction explains possibly unfamiliar allusions. In the opening poem, "A Girl in a Library," an observer ponders a girl who has fallen asleep over her books and, after weaving poetic fantasies about her, imagines that when asked what she is doing there, she answers plainly "I'm studying." 1969.

Hugo Black: A Biography RC 40085
by Roger K. Newman
read by Butch Hoover
6 cassettes
Portrait of a man who exchanged his Ku Klux Klan robes for the mantle of the Supreme Court and went on to become one of the most liberal justices in United States history. Using facts from more than twenty-five years of research, Newman chronicles the path of this Alabama-born lawyer and politician to Washington, unmasking the layers of bigotry into which he was born and revealing a person who developed better instincts along the way. 1994.

Last Train to Memphis: The Rise of Elvis Presley RC 40087
by Peter Guralnick
read by Ray Foushee
4 cassettes
In the first part of a projected two-volume biography, Guralnick describes the shy Tennessee boy who doted on his parents, loved to sing, and took his guitar to school each day. Elvis's quick rise to fame is detailed, as is his shock when, though a star, he is drafted into the army. Sure that he will soon be forgotten, Elvis is further devastated by the death of his "best girl," his adored mother. Strong language. 1994.

Left to Die: The Tragedy of the USS *Juneau* RC 40089
by Dan Kurzman
read by Roy Avers
2 cassettes
After a 1942 battle, a Japanese torpedo demolished the USS *Juneau*, part of a fleet of antiaircraft cruisers returning home. Almost 200 of the 700 crew members survived the attack, but they were left to die in the shark-infested ocean as the other ships fled. When help finally came more than a week later, only ten men were still alive. Five brothers were among the dead. Strong language and violence. 1994.

Naturalist RC 40091
by Edward O. Wilson
read by Butch Hoover
3 cassettes
From the age of seven, Wilson wanted to be a scientist. Some of his happiest times were spent exploring the creeks and woods of Alabama and Florida. It was during one of these trips that a fishing accident left him blind in one eye and helped determine his career choice. Wilson looks at his childhood, his growth as a naturalist (thanks in part to his lifelong fascination with bugs), and the evolution of sociobiology, a field he pioneered. 1994.

The Diabetic Woman RC 40095
by Lois Jovanovic and others
read by Kerry Cundiff
2 cassettes
Two of the women who collaborated on this book are diabetic, and one of these is also a mother and a physician specializing in diabetes. With a brief review of basic information, the authors establish a question-and-answer format with Dr. Jovanovic providing the responses. Topics included of special interest to women are puberty, menstruation, pregnancy, and menopause. 1987.

The Struggle of Blind People for Self-Determination: The Dependency-Rehabilitation Conflict; Empowerment in the Blindness Community RC 40098
by C. Edwin Vaughan
read by Randy Atcher
2 cassettes
The focus of this book is the struggle between people with visual handicaps and people who work to educate and rehabilitate them, with emphasis on those whose experiences with visual handicaps and the rehabilitation system begin early in life. 1993.

Heron Hill Chronicle RC 40104
by George Reiger
read by Barry Berhson
1 cassette
In 1970 shortly after their wedding, George and Barbara Reiger purchased an old farmhouse on the coastal shores of Virginia as a second home. Then, when their lives in Washington, D.C., and New York proved to be too hectic, they forsook their metropolitan lifestyles and moved to the farm permanently. Reiger, a conservation editor for *Field and Stream*, describes their life at Heron Hill, where they have learned to live off the land. 1994.

Do or Die RC 40107
by Leon Bing
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
Account of gang life among the Crips and the Bloods in South Central Los Angeles. Bing visited gang neighborhoods, a juvenile detention camp, and Soledad Prison to get beyond the stereotypes by interviewing gang mem-

bers and recording their stories in their own words. Violence and strong language. For high school and older readers. 1991.

Bayreuth: A History of the Wagner Festival RC 40109
by Frederic Spotts
read by James DeLotel
3 cassettes
Overview of the cultural history of the music festival established by Richard Wagner in 1876. Nestled in a Bavarian village, the *Festspielhaus* was designed to showcase Wagner's music dramas. Spotts analyzes historic performances and productions. He also documents connections with German myth, nationalism, and fascism that resulted in a postwar denazification of this shrine. 1994.

Like Most Revelations: New Poems RC 40111
by Richard Howard
read by Fred Major
1 cassette
The collection begins with a lyric title poem about the process of creating poetry. This is followed by "Occupations," an extended monologue in the form of a letter from artist Bonnard to Matisse about the fate of their Jewish art dealer during World War II. Then come twenty-six shorter poems and another monologue, "Man Who Beat Up Homosexuals Reported to Have AIDS Virus," presented as a letter from an AIDS victim. Descriptions of sex and some strong language. 1994.

Birthright: Murder, Greed, and Power in the U-Haul Family Dynasty RC 40113
by Ronald J. Watkins
read by Roy Avers
3 cassettes
Between being expelled from medical school and starting law school, L.S. Shoen founded the U-Haul rental company with one wooden "junker." As it grew into a multibillion dollar enterprise, Shoen gave shares to his many children. Disagreements arose when offspring managed the company. They forced Shoen out of the business, and as the feud ensued, his son's wife was murdered. Strong language and violence. 1993.

Capone: The Man and the Era RC 40115
by Laurence Bergreen
read by Art Metzler
6 cassettes
The subject of this biography won a warm spot in the hearts of some who objected to Prohibition even as he developed a reputation that makes his name all but synonymous with gangster. The author traces Capone's relatively short life from the Brooklyn home of his immigrant parents to Chicago, where several family members joined the mob. Capone was tough to nail, in spite of events such as the St. Valentine's Day Massacre. Some strong language. 1994.

Defying the Gods: Inside the New Frontiers of Organ Transplants RC 40121
by Scott McCartney
read by John Richardson
2 cassettes
To write about medical advances and policy issues in the field of organ trans-

plants, journalist McCartney spent four months with the liver and kidney transplant team at Baylor University Medical Center in Dallas. In addition, he documents the experiences of four Baylor patients as they prepare for, undergo, and recuperate from a liver transplant. 1994.

No One Saw My Pain: Why Teens Kill Themselves RC 40127
by Andrew E. Slaby and Lili Frank Garfinkel
read by Bruce Huntey
2 cassettes
The authors assert more than 5,000 youths in the United States kill themselves every year and many others try. Doctor Slaby, who has treated depressed and suicidal teens since 1972, has learned much from the families of those teens. To illustrate the importance of proper treatment of depressed youth, Slaby presents the stories of eight teens and their families. Some strong language. 1994.

Stories from Home RC 40129
by Jerry Clower
read by Ray Foushee
1 cassette
Clower uses his Mississippi roots in many of the stories he tells. This collection contains more than 100 stories, some very short, in which he describes events such as coon, deer, and quail huntin'; talks about his closest neighbors, the Ledbetters; and discusses his own family. Includes an interview in which Clower reflects on his background, his feelings about his life, and the way he got into the business of telling stories. 1992.

Talk Dirty to Me: An Intimate Philosophy of Sex RC 40133
by Sallie Tisdale
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
After publishing an article about pornography, Tisdale was startled at the response, which made her wonder, "Why are we so unhappy about our own sexual acts and the acts of others?" This book, examining sex outside of long-term relationships, combines personal observations, research, and interviews with sex workers. Strong language and explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

The Letters of Robert Louis Stevenson: Volume One, 1854–April 1874 RC 40145
by Robert Louis Stevenson
read by Patrick Horgan
5 cassettes
The letters from this period indicate Stevenson's early determination to become a writer. They also reflect his Scottish home life, piecemeal education, and health problems. They document the formation of relationships that would grow into lifelong friendships and the developing conflict with his father over religious matters. 1874.

I Am Roe: My Life, *Roe* v. *Wade*, and Freedom of Choice RC 40152
by Norma McCorvey and Andy Meisler
read by Judith Ann Gantly
2 cassettes
In 1969, Norma McCorvey was twenty-one and pregnant. Her mother had taken her first child when she learned Norma was a lesbian, and Norma had given her second baby up for adoption. Then she wanted an abortion, which was illegal in Texas. She agreed to challenge the law as Jane Roe, which led to the

landmark *Roe* v. *Wade* case. She here provides her life story. Strong language. 1994.

The Courage for Truth: The Letters of Thomas Merton to Writers RC 40156
by Thomas Merton
read by Peter Johnson
3 cassettes
Selected letters to fellow writers created during the last two decades of the life of a monk who advocated a contemplative existence. Merton both encouraged young talent and corresponded with major literary figures, including Evelyn Waugh, James Baldwin, and Henry Miller. The editor has inserted short commentary to describe and connect the flow of information. 1993.

The Breakup of the Soviet Union: Opposing Viewpoints RC 40166
edited by William Barbour and Carol Wekesser
read by Peter Johnson
2 cassettes
In this volume of the Opposing Viewpoints series, political observers and leaders debate issues related to the collapse of the Soviet Union. They discuss the effect of the breakup on the rest of the world, the response of the United States, and the ethnic conflicts and struggling economies of the republics. For junior and senior high and older readers. 1994.

African Women: Three Generations RC 40167
by Mark Mathabane
read by Lisette Lecat
3 cassettes
Mathabane's memoir about growing up in South Africa, *Kaffir Boy (RC 24921)*, generated many inquiries about his mother. Here he presents the stories of three generations of women—his grandmother, his mother, and his sister—in their own words. Chapters arranged by theme show each generation facing similar problems that stem from apartheid and living in a culture in which women are considered the property of their fathers and husbands. 1994.

The Sacred Chain: The History of the Jews RC 40168
by Norman F. Cantor
read by Robert Blumenfeld
4 cassettes
Cantor fears that the "sacred chain" (the centuries-old continuity of the Jewish people) may be broken within the next century. He states that "Jews have served their own purpose . . . and are no longer . . . needed as a distinct race." To explain these conclusions, Cantor discusses the origins and diversity of Jews, their decline and regrowth, and their possible extinction through assimilation and intermarriage. 1994.

Collected Earlier Poems RC 40172
by Anthony Hecht
read by Gordon Gould
2 cassettes
The complete texts of *The Hard Hours* (1967), which won the Pulitzer Prize; *Millions of Strange Shadows* (1977); and *The Venetian Vespers* (1979); along with selections from *A Summoning of Stones* (1954), Hecht's first poetry collection. There are love poems, lyrical poems, narratives, dramatic monologues, and laments and subjects ranging from Plato to the ghost in the martini. 1990.

A Walk through Wales RC 40173
by Anthony Bailey
read by George Holmes
2 cassettes
It is spring, and, as the land begins to

thaw, travel writer Bailey once again gets the desire to take a long walk—this time through Wales. On his three-week journey from Cardiff in the south to Bangor in the north, Bailey visits Norman castles, medieval cathedrals, towns, and hamlets and talks with the people of the land, whom he describes as more and more obsessed with Wales's national identity. 1992.

The Rainbow People of God: The Making of a Peaceful Revolution RC 40175
by Desmond Tutu
read by Patrick Horgan
2 cassettes
Speeches and writings, connected by narrative to provide historical context, display the role that the Anglican archbishop Tutu played in the anti-apartheid movement in South Africa. Begins with a letter to the prime minister written shortly before the 1976 Soweto student uprising, an event that started years of resistance. The story is carried through the release of Nelson Mandela and his victory in a democratic election. 1994.

Women's Work: The First 20,000 Years; Women, Cloth, and Society in Early Times RC 40176
by Elizabeth Wayland Barber
read by Catherine Byers
2 cassettes
This history of women's work begins with the ancient societies of Scandinavia, Greece, Egypt, and Europe. Barber uses her skills in archaeology and interest in textiles to gather evidence of strong correlations between the daily lives of women, which included making cloth, and the effect of their work on the economy and culture of their times. 1994.

Great Day Coming: A Memoir of the 1930s RC 40181
by Hope Hale Davis
read by Judith Ann Gantly
2 cassettes
In 1933 Davis, a writer who was eager for social change, gave birth to a daughter, Claudia, whom she affectionately called Project Revolutionary Baby. Left on her own when her husband returned to Europe to report resistance to fascism, she moved to Washington and joined the Communist Party. This memoir recounts her struggles with motherhood, politics, impending war, and, eventually, disillusionment with the Party. 1994.

The Way It Was in the South: The Black Experience in Georgia RC 40182
by Donald L. Grant
read by Ralph Lowenstein
6 cassettes
History of the state of Georgia from the perspective of African Americans. Coverage begins in the early 1500s, long before blacks were enslaved by British colonists, and continues to the 1990s. Throughout the book Grant points out contradictions, such as the fact that Georgia gave birth both to the Ku Klux Klan and to the civil rights leader Martin Luther King Jr. 1993.

How to Succeed on Your Own: Overcoming the Emotional Roadblocks on the Way from Corporation to Cottage, from Employee to Entrepreneur RC 40190
by Karin Abarbanel
read by Catherine Byers
2 cassettes
Female entrepreneurs and experts give advice and firsthand experience on what to expect, both personally and profes-

sionally, when forgoing a corporate career to launch a small business. Discussed are timing the move, the emotional stages to be expected during the change, possible traps to avoid, and the rich rewards. 1994.

What Your Mother Couldn't Tell You and Your Father Didn't Know: Advanced Relationship Skills for Better Communication and Lasting Intimacy RC 40191

by John Gray
read by Ralph Lowenstein
3 cassettes
Gray believes that times have changed a great deal since most parents were young, and their advice may no longer be the best. He discusses why relationship problems exist, how changing gender roles can have an effect, how to become a successful listener, and how natural changes occur between a couple. 1994.

Knowing When to Stop: A Memoir RC 40193

by Ned Rorem
read by Gordon Gould
5 cassettes
Autobiographical account of the early years of this Pulitzer Prize-winning composer and author of published diaries recounting homosexual affairs. Rorem presents his life in chronological order, beginning with his midwestern youth, followed by his New York years, and ending with his move to Europe. As he reflects on his personal life, he contemplates musical and literary style, sexual partners, friends, and influences. 1994.

The Black Press and the Struggle for Civil Rights RC 40195

by Carl Senna
read by Ralph Lowenstein
1 cassette
The role of African American newspapers in the fight for equality. Senna traces the influence of the black press from the birth of *Freedom's Journal* in 1827 through the antislavery movement before the Civil War and the struggle to end segregation, highlighting the importance of leaders like Frederick Douglass and Ida B. Wells in bringing blacks into the media mainstream. For high school and older readers. 1993.

Cassette Books 1994 RC 40203

by National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped
read by various narrators
4 cassettes
A catalog of talking-book cassette titles produced for adult and young adult readers during 1994. The nonfiction and fiction sections list books by subject categories. Separate listings identify books for young adult readers and for foreign-language readers. 1994.

The American Country Inn and Bed and Breakfast Cookbook, Volume 1 RC 40204

by Kitty and Lucian Maynard
read by Patricia McDermott
7 cassettes
After the authors discovered their first bed and breakfast by accident, they began to seek them out on future trips. In this volume they include recipes from more than 500 inns and bed and breakfast homes throughout the fifty states. Along with each entry is a brief description of the inn as well as the address

and telephone number. Recipes range from appetizers to desserts. 1987.

The Complete Dog Book RC 40205
by American Kennel Club
read by Kerry Cundiff
6 cassettes
This new and revised edition includes the history and the official standard of each of the dog breeds accepted in 1992 for registration by the American Kennel Club. The standard addresses such factors as the dog's general appearance, coat, color, gait, and temperament. The breeds include sporting dogs, hounds, working dogs, terriers, toys, non-sporting dogs, and herding dogs. Also discussed are selection, training, breeding, and care of purebreds. 1992.

Grace RC 40238
by Robert Lacey
read by Faith Potts
3 cassettes
The author examines the image of a beautiful fairy-tale princess who did not live happily ever after. Lacey chronicles the story of Grace Kelly's abbreviated life through her American phase, depicting the actress with a cool, classy facade and a tawdry private life. When the Hollywood star married her European prince, the location of her fantasy life changed, but reality began to destroy the portrait. Bestseller 1994.

The Style's the Man: Reflections on Proust, Fitzgerald, Wharton, Vidal, and Others RC 40241
by Louis Auchincloss
read by Gary Telles
1 cassette
Eighteen essays profile this author's picks of master literary stylists and a president who was "a kind of artistic creation." Auchincloss's favorite authors include dramatists who were contemporaries of Shakespeare; long-neglected William Gaddis; kindred spirits, including Gore Vidal; and authors, like Oscar Wilde, who made their homosexuality part of their work. 1994.

Before He Wakes: A True Story of Money, Marriage, Sex, and Murder RC 40257
by Jerry Bledsoe
read by David Hartley-Margolin
3 cassettes
When the paramedics arrived at her home, North Carolina housewife Barbara Stager explained how she had unintentionally discharged the gun her husband, Russ, kept under his pillow while he was sleeping. Russ's death was declared an accident until his first wife told the police that Russ and Barbara's marriage was in trouble and that Russ had recently begun to suspect that the death of Barbara's first husband had not been accidental. 1994.

Native American Religions: An Introduction RC 40260
by Denise Lardner Carmody and John Tully Carmody
read by Bill Wallace
3 cassettes
The Carmodys describe the traditions of North American Indians from the eastern woodlands, Far North, Plains, Southwest, and Far West. They also cover the beliefs of natives of Mesoamerica and South America. Each chapter has the same format, offering historical background and discussing views on nature, self, spirituality, and ultimate reality. Includes study questions. 1993.

W.E.B. Du Bois: Biography of a Race, 1868–1919 RC 40267
by David Levering Lewis
read by Jake Williams
6 cassettes
Scholar, activist, pan-Africanist, W.E.B. Du Bois was a founder of the NAACP and the first black American to receive a doctorate from Harvard. He died an expatriate in Ghana at ninety-five. In this biography, based partly on newly available personal papers, Lewis analyzes the first fifty years of Du Bois's life with the backdrop of race relations and the racial ideologies and conflicts of the period. Pulitzer Prize. 1993.

The Camera Never Blinks Twice: The Further Adventures of a Television Journalist RC 40277
by Dan Rather and Mickey Herskowitz
read by Bob Butz
3 cassettes
In this sequel to *The Camera Never Blinks (RC 10834)*, the CBS television journalist continues his behind-the-scenes account of breaking stories and interviews with history-making individuals. Outtakes on a variety of subjects precede and follow each chapter of the narrative. 1994.

Band of Brothers: E Company, 506th Regiment, 101st Airborne from Normandy to Hitler's Eagle's Nest RC 40283
by Stephen E. Ambrose
read by Bill Wallace
3 cassettes
Drawing on journals, letters, and interviews with veterans of Easy Company, the author tells the story of the combat rifle unit that parachuted into France early on D-Day. And, despite hardships and casualties, E Company was responsible for the capture of Hitler's Bavarian retreat at war's end. Some strong language. 1992.

The Diaries of Hans Christian Andersen RC 40302
by Hans Christian Andersen
read by George Holmes
4 cassettes
Having a burning desire to write but being forbidden to do so while completing his formal education, Hans Christian Andersen began his journal in 1825 when he was twenty. For the next thirty-five years this famous creator of fairy tales kept a sporadic record of his travels and his conversations with other writers. In the final fifteen years of his life, he made entries more regularly, focusing on friends, health, moods, and life in Denmark. 1990.

The Rice Room: Growing up Chinese American; From Number Two Son to Rock 'n' Roll RC 40310
by Ben Fong-Torres
read by Christopher Hurt
2 cassettes
Rolling Stone magazine writer and editor Fong-Torres tells of the lasting effect of growing up in California with Chinese parents and of the tragic killing of his parents' number one son. Although as an adult Fong-Torres needed an interpreter to discuss his parents' past with them, he realizes that he has no more escaped his past than his parents escaped China. 1994.

The Able Gardener: Overcoming Barriers of Age and Physical Limitations RC 40311
by Kathleen Yeomans
read by Ralph Lowenstein
2 cassettes
Nurse and gardener Yeomans covers

general aspects of gardening while emphasizing adaptive techniques such as using raised beds, backsaving tools, and easy-care plants. If the gardener is visually impaired, she suggests designing with plants that are fragrant, textured, edible, or even audible. Included are exercises for gardeners and mail-order sources for plants, seeds, and supplies (including adaptive tools). 1992.

Journey to the Ants: A Story of Scientific Exploration RC 40360
by Bert Hölldobler and
Edward O. Wilson
read by Terence Aselford
2 cassettes
The authors are two of the world's fewer than 500 myrmecologists, scientists who study ants. They discuss their passion for an insect that numbers ten thousand trillion, rivaling humans as the world's dominant organism; describe the workings of ant colonies, which are actually super-organisms; and explain how ants use chemicals to communicate. 1994.

Diabetes and Pregnancy: What to Expect RC 40374
by American Diabetes Association
read by Annie Wauters
1 cassette
Insulin-dependent diabetics face an increased risk of giving birth to overweight, jaundiced, or stillborn babies. The ADA offers guidelines on maintaining tight blood-glucose control to avoid these problems. It recommends beginning this regimen before conception and continuing it throughout the pregnancy, using a team approach to medical care, and exercising regularly. Describes possible procedures. 1992.

BAD; or, The Dumbing of America RC 40419
by Paul Fussell
read by Nick Sullivan
1 cassette
This survey of bad taste draws a line between bad (things never represented as better than they are) and BAD (things overvalued through pretentiousness). In a series of alphabetically arranged essays, Fussell reviews the BAD in American life, recommending laughter as the remedy. He covers advertising, art, behavior, conversation, movies, people, and many other topics. Some strong language. 1991.

Who Owns Information? From Privacy to Public Access RC 40422
by Anne Wells Branscomb
read by Frank Coffee
2 cassettes
The author, a communications and computer attorney, discusses conflicts that have arisen in the "information age," as technology races beyond the scope of copyright laws. Can all information be commercialized or is some information inherently public property? Conversely, should other information, such as addresses and medical records, be protected under individuals' privacy rights? 1994.

Advertisements for Myself RC 40423
by Norman Mailer
read by Robert Blumenfeld
4 cassettes
An anthology of short stories, newspaper columns, extracts from novels, essays, and interviews—connected by autobiographical comments, or "advertisements." Mailer's diversity of forms is matched by his range of styles—from simple and direct, as in

"Advertisement for Three War Stories," to his sarcastic responses to reviews of his work, such as "The Last Draft of *The Deer Park*." Strong language. 1959.

Oswald's Tale: An American Mystery RC 40436

by Norman Mailer
read by Richard Davidson
6 cassettes

Mailer refers to this as a "sad tale of a young American who lived abroad and returned to a grave in Texas." Using transcripts, letters, and interviews, Mailer examines Lee Harvey Oswald's time in Russia, in the service, and in Dallas, concluding that Oswald "had the character to kill Kennedy, and that he probably did it alone." Bestseller 1995.

An Anthropologist on Mars: Seven Paradoxical Tales RC 40439

by Oliver Sacks
read by Peter Johnson
3 cassettes

Case histories of people with neurological disorders who reconstruct the world according to their needs. Comfortable with his forty-five years of blindness, one man is confused by the sudden restoration of his sight. An autistic zoology professor is at ease with animals but cannot bear human contact. Each tale portrays a patient with a condition such as Tourette's Syndrome, deafness, or amnesia. Bestseller 1995.

In Search of Stones: A Pilgrimage of Faith, Reason, and Discovery RC 40442

by M. Scott Peck
read by Peter Johnson
3 cassettes

In 1992 Peck and his wife, Lily, set out to explore the megalithic monuments of England, Scotland, and Wales. Peck views this record of three wonderful weeks as an account of himself—the closest he will ever get to an autobiography. Each day's report includes his musings on topics such as romance, peace, holiness, gratitude, time, aging, addiction, despair, death, money, and parenthood. Bestseller 1995.

The Revolt of the Elites and the Betrayal of Democracy RC 40450

by Christopher Lasch
read by Ralph Lowenstein
2 cassettes

In this collection of essays, historian Lasch questions whether democracy has a future. He believes America's outlook is bleak if people continue to reject religious and ethical values and the gap between the privileged and the working classes widens. The elite, Lasch avers, now think only of their own goals and have lost their sense of responsibility for the common good. Bestseller 1995.

A Second Helping of Chicken Soup for the Soul: 101 More Stories to Open the Heart and Rekindle the Spirit RC 40454

by Jack Canfield and
Mark Victor Hansen
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes

The authors provide a second group of anecdotes to "warm your heart, soothe your soul, and buoy your emotions." Covers topics such as parenting, personal attitude, dreams, love, death, teaching, and overcoming obstacles. Companion to *Chicken Soup for the Soul (RC 39870)*. Bestseller 1995.

Reviving Ophelia: Saving the Selves of Adolescent Girls RC 40455
by Mary Pipher
read by Catherine Byers
2 cassettes
A clinical psychologist discusses the problems adolescent girls face in relation to the women's movement. Pipher believes that rather than helping teenagers, the movement has produced an adverse effect on girls, causing them to have lower self-esteem and to be more prone to depression. Using case studies, Pipher explains some of these dangers and suggests measures to correct them. Bestseller 1994.

Healthy for Life: The Scientific Breakthrough Program for Looking, Feeling, and Staying Healthy without Deprivation RC 40456
by Richard F. and Rachael F. Heller
read by John Rayburn
4 cassettes
The Hellers, researchers and professors at Mount Sinai School of Medicine, say their own health problems led them to learn about Profactor-H. They claim this hormonal insulin imbalance not only causes obesity but also is a common factor of nine "killer" diseases. They explain how to diagnose the imbalance and present a treatment program. Bestseller 1995.

First in His Class: A Biography of Bill Clinton RC 40458
by David Maraniss
read by John Rayburn
4 cassettes
Portrait of the president from his hardscrabble childhood to the day he declared for the presidency. Drawing on interviews, research, and analysis, Maraniss traces Clinton's path through school and his Arkansas political career, noting his character development along the way. The author's goal: an "examination of a complicated human being and the forces that shaped him and his generation." Bestseller 1995.

The Celestine Prophecy: An Experiential Guide RC 40460
by James Redfield and Carol Adrienne
read by Erik Sandvold
2 cassettes
Designed as a self-study guide to the nine spiritual insights discussed in *The Celestine Prophecy: An Adventure (RC 38075)*. Explores gaining a fuller understanding of life experiences by following hunches, taking advantage of coincidental opportunities, and sensing an active higher spiritual presence in one's life. Bestseller 1995.

Your Retirement Benefits RC 40505
by Peter E. Gaudio and Virginia S. Nicols
read by John Rayburn
2 cassettes
The authors, both involved in financial management, provide a detailed explanation of major retirement plans. They offer suggestions on choosing the best plan and on what to do while still employed. Includes numerous "action items" and "points to remember" to help get the most benefits out of a retirement plan. 1992.

If You Poison Us: Uranium and Native Americans RC 40508
by Peter H. Eichstaedt
read by Jake Williams
2 cassettes
How uranium mining began on Indian lands in the American West; how it was conducted; how its deadly legacy still lingers in the lives of the men, women,

and children whose harmony and homelands have been destroyed; and how the government has responded to the crisis. Included are interviews with affected Native Americans as well as public-health and congressional-hearing reports. 1994.

Behind the Times: Inside the New *New York Times* RC 40526
by Edwin Diamond
read by Ralph Lowenstein
4 cassettes
A *Times* insider assesses the public performance and the daily life of the newspaper over twenty years. This columnist laments some changes, such as a perceived decline in hard news and increase in tabloid-variety stories, the addition of color to the traditional black and white pages, composition of the bestseller list, decisions about political endorsements, and the efforts to ensure diversity on its staff. 1993.

Brando: Songs My Mother Taught Me RC 40533
by Marlon Brando and Robert Lindsey
read by Ken Kliban
3 cassettes
A celebrated actor at the age of seventy, Brando reveals the fragility of his early years when his alcoholic parents were frequently missing. He reminisces about his acting career and analyzes his major films. Bypassing his multiple marriages and his children's problems, he talks mostly about causes he has championed and the Tahitian island he loves. Strong language. Bestseller 1994.

Liz: An Intimate Biography of Elizabeth Taylor RC 40535
by C. David Heymann
read by John Stratton
4 cassettes
The author relies on more than a thousand interviews with the star's friends, coworkers, and other associates, as well as medical, legal, and business documents for his portrait of Taylor. He discusses how she became famous as an actress, wife, mother, AIDS activist, and purveyor of jewelry and perfumes. Some strong language. Bestseller 1995.

Fat Free, Flavor Full: Dr. Gabe Mirkin's Guide to Losing Weight and Living Longer RC 40539
by Gabe Mirkin and Diana Rich
read by Frank Coffee
3 cassettes
Mirkin describes his own experience with reducing dietary fat and tells how others can do the same. He presents stories of patients' successes, discusses what foods are low in fat or fat free, suggests helpful exercises, and provides more than 250 recipes. Bestseller 1995.

Model: The Ugly Business of Beautiful Women RC 40543
by Michael Gross
read by Christopher Hurt
4 cassettes
Journalist writes about models, agents, photographers, and other players in the fashion-modeling industry. Beginning with John Robert Powers, an out-of-work actor who became an agent in the early 1900s, Gross discusses the work and social lives of a slew of noted people including Richard Avedon, Lauren Hutton, Eileen Ford, and Cindy Crawford. Strong language. Bestseller 1995.

From Beginning to End: The Rituals of Our Lives RC 40545
by Robert Fulghum
read by Ed Blake
2 cassettes
"From beginning to end, the rituals of our lives shape each hour, day, and year." Fulghum examines these various public and private rituals, describing some in great detail. He begins with daily morning rituals and goes on to discuss the rites of adoption, marriage, funerals, meetings, and welcoming of new neighbors. Bestseller 1995.

Spontaneous Healing: How to Discover and Enhance Your Body's Natural Ability to Maintain and Heal Itself RC 40591
by Andrew Weil
read by Ralph Lowenstein
3 cassettes
A graduate of Harvard Medical School, Dr. Weil practices preventive medicine and directs a program for integrative medicine. He builds a case for the existence of a healing system by describing instances of spontaneous healing. He explains how to optimize this system and examines conventional and alternative treatments for managing illness. Bestseller 1995.

How to Argue and Win Every Time: At Home, at Work, in Court, Everywhere, Every Day RC 40599
by Gerry Spence
read by John Stratton
2 cassettes
Spence, a noted trial attorney, has not lost a criminal case in forty years. Wanting to share what he's learned, he identifies disabling locks to the art of arguing and offers enabling keys. He details the structure, preparation, and technique of the winning argument and explains when to use these skills and how to apply them in different situations. Bestseller 1995.

By George: The Autobiography of George Foreman RC 40645
by George Foreman and Joel Engel
read by Bob Moore
2 cassettes
Boxer George Foreman tells of growing up poor in Texas, dropping out of junior high and turning to crime and drinking, and then going on to become the heavyweight champion of the world. He also discusses his several marriages and children and the effect religion has had on his adult life. Some violence. Bestseller 1995.

Remembering Satan RC 40655
by Lawrence Wright
read by Bob Moore
2 cassettes
Paul Ingram is serving a twenty-year sentence for the confessed sexual abuse of his two daughters. No evidence was ever uncovered against the former sheriff's deputy, but the accused was persuaded of his guilt as the result of recovered-memory techniques. The author notes similarities between this and other satanic ritual cases and the seventeenth-century Salem witch trials. 1994.

Revised Standards and Guidelines of Service for the Library of Congress Network of Libraries for the Blind and Physically Handicapped RC 40679
by Association of Specialized and Cooperative Library Agencies
read by Ralph Lowenstein
1 cassette
A document developed to improve library services for blind and physically disabled persons by providing a tool for

assessing the current status of those services and for developing long-range plans. 1995.

Phenomenal Woman RC 40783
by Maya Angelou
read by Gail Nelson
1 cassette
The author of *I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings (RC 24959)* and the poem read at President Clinton's inauguration, *On the Pulse of the Morning (RC 36169)*, presents four poems that celebrate women: "Phenomenal Woman," "Still I Rise," "Weekend Glory," and "Our Grandmothers." Bestseller 1994.

Cassettes Fiction

Moonshell RC 37067
by Bea Carlton
read by Janis Gray
2 cassettes
Linn and Clay Randolph, along with other family members, are spending the summer at Moonshell—an old Texas coastal house belonging to Clyde Cameron. But it seems that they are unwelcome, as evidenced by a snake left in Linn's closet, a note she receives indicating that Moonshell does not want them there, a man in a boat who is watching the house, and Linn's old rival's showing up in town. The Randolphs' faith in God is put to the test. 1986.

Lord of the Nile: The Children of the Lion, Volume 6 RC 38494
by Peter Danielson
read by Patrick Horgan
3 cassettes
The Teller of Tales has spoken of the Shepherd Kings (now the Hai) and of Joseph's prophecy of seven years of plenty and seven years of famine. Now he spins the story of the years of famine in the north where Joseph stored grain, of the Children of the Lion's struggle where no grain was stored, and of Joseph's reunion with his family. Violence, strong language, and descriptions of sex. Sequel to *The Golden Pharaoh (RC 38493)*. 1986.

The Town RC 38655
by Conrad Richter
read by Gordon Gould
3 cassettes
Pulitzer Prize-winning sequel to *The Fields (RC 38654)* and conclusion of the Awakening Land trilogy. Pioneer Sayward Wheeler and her husband move from the old log cabin in the Ohio wilderness into a mansion, and one at a time each of their children moves out. 1950.

The Hawk's Gray Feather: The Tales of Arthur, Volume 1; a Book of the Keltiad RC 38838
by Patricia Kennealy
read by George Holmes
3 cassettes
Merlynn proclaimed to Arthur, his cousin Gweniver, and Taliesin that Arthur would one day rule Keltia. But in order to do this, Arthur and his two companions must build a resistance movement against Archdruid Edeyrn, the current ruler of the Royal House of Don, who has cut them off from their ancient arts. Prequel to *The Oak above the Kings (RC 38839)*. Some violence. 1990.

Bleeding Kansas RC 38922
by Jon Sharpe
read by Jack Fox
1 cassette
Some suspicious deaths have occurred in the battle over the slavery issue in the small town of Buckeye Springs, Kansas. Concerned, President Buchanan dispatches justice agent Canyon O'Grady to sort it out. After seducing one woman on the train to Kansas, O'Grady becomes involved with the daughter of a murder victim, leaving him precious little time to investigate. Strong language, some violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1990.

Sarek RC 39107
by A.C. Crispin
read by James DeLotel
3 cassettes
Ambassador Sarek of Vulcan learns of a treacherous plot to destroy the Federation of Planets, and he must bring all his logic and diplomatic skill to bear to unmask and foil the villains. But his efforts are complicated by the impending death of his beloved wife, Amanda, and the arrival of his estranged son, Spock, first officer of the starship *Enterprise*. A Star Trek novel. 1994.

This Other Eden RC 39109
by Marilyn Harris
read by Michael Clarke-Laurence
4 cassettes (Reissue)
Eighteenth-century historical romance. Young, captivating Marianne Locke, at the command of Lord Thomas Eden, suffers the agony and humiliation of a public lashing for spurning his advances. Later, still enamored of Marianne, he marries her. Some strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1977.

The Revolt of the Eaglets RC 39110
by Jean Plaidy
read by Norman Barrs
3 cassettes (Reissue)
Historical novel about Henry Plantagenet, who is accused of the murder of Thomas à Becket by all of Christendom. Although at the height of his powers, Henry is beset by frustration. His wife, Eleanor of Aquitaine, hates him and has sown the seeds of her discontent in their sons. Sequel to *The Plantagenet Prelude*. 1977.

Knave of Hearts RC 39111
by Philippa Carr
read by Michael McCullough
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Lottie arrives at her father's house in France, a girl with a woman's beauty and desires. At first lonely for her beloved English countryside and the boy she has always adored, she is soon swept away by the glitter of Louis XV's Paris. Sequel to *The Adulteress*. 1983.

Cold Sassy Tree RC 39112
by Olive Ann Burns
read by Dennis Bateman
3 cassettes (Reissue)
Just three weeks after Granny's death, Will Tweedy's Grandpa marries the pretty, thirtyish town milliner, Miss Love Simpson. It's 1906 and the town of Cold Sassy, Georgia, is shocked. Fourteen-year-old Will takes it all in—his Grandpa's rejuvenation and Cold Sassy's reaction—while he experiences some major life changes of his own. For high school and older readers. 1984.

Trick of the Eye RC 39155
by Jane Stanton Hitchcock
read by Susan McInerney
2 cassettes
Fortyish Faith Crowell paints "faux" finishes and illusory images on furniture and walls for wealthy New York clients. She receives a request from aging Frances Griffin to redo the ballroom built for her daughter years before. But Faith soon realizes that her artistic talent is not the real reason she has been commissioned. Her presence has something to do with Frances's daughter, who was murdered as a young woman. Some strong language. 1992.

Starcarbon: A Meditation on Love RC 39182
by Ellen Gilchrist
read by Laura Giannarelli
3 cassettes
A reappearance of Hand family members from other Gilchrist novels such as *I Cannot Get You Close Enough (RC 35282)*. Olivia is now in college, paid for by her newfound daddy, Daniel. Although her dreams have all been realized, Olivia is unhappy and returns to her Cherokee family and lover Bobby Tree for the summer. Meanwhile, her half-sister, Jessie, and others sort out their relationships. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1994.

Slapstick; or, Lonesome No More! RC 39183
by Kurt Vonnegut
read by Ray Hagen
1 cassette (Reissue)
Satirical work describing the misadventures of America after a future apocalypse. A pediatrician-turned-president of the United States promotes social welfare by giving each citizen a middle name with a number attached so that he identifies himself with a clan and is "lonesome no more." Bestseller 1976.

Souls Raised from the Dead RC 39221
by Doris Betts
read by Ann Hodapp
2 cassettes
Patrolman Frank Thompson lives with his horse-crazy adolescent daughter, Mary Grace. Mary's mother, Christine, who left a couple of years before, has very little contact with them. When Mary is diagnosed with kidney failure, Frank's old bullet wound makes Christine the logical choice if a transplant is needed. But as Mary gets worse, Christine disappears on a European vacation. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

Swing Hammer Swing! RC 39248
by Jeff Torrington
read by Graeme Malcolm
3 cassettes
Winner of the Whitbread Award, this novel, set in Glasgow in the late 1960s, chronicles one week in the life of Scotsman Thomas Clay. Twenty-something Tom is in a dither. He has quit his regular job to write a book that publishers are not rushing to acquire, his wife is about to give birth, his home is about to be demolished, his in-laws are on his back, and someone is clearly out to get him. Strong language and descriptions of sex. 1992.

Prime Suspect 2 RC 39342
by Lynda La Plante
read by Mary Woods
2 cassettes
In the sequel to *Prime Suspect (RC 39341)*, Detective Chief Inspector Jane Tennison is given the case of a

young woman whose corpse is found buried in a garden. The investigation, which is fraught with racial issues, leads to another death. Meanwhile, Tennison is hopeful for a promotion, but her casual affair with a black detective comes back to haunt her when he is assigned to her case. Strong language and some violence. 1993.

The Forest House RC 39356
by Marion Zimmer Bradley
read by Jill Ferris
4 cassettes
Eilan, a Druid on the verge of womanhood, is fated to become a high priestess. Gaius Macellius, a Roman, intends to help conquer Britain and overcome the Druids. Gaius falls into a pit and is rescued by Eilan and her aunt, but he fails to disclose that he is a Roman. Eilan falls in love with him and bears his child. But will she continue to love him or forsake him and fulfill her sacred destiny? Some violence and some descriptions of sex. 1993.

Fire Sea: The Death Gate Cycle, Volume 3 RC 39363
by Margaret Weis and Tracy Hickman
read by John Horton
3 cassettes
Haplo and his enemy and traveling companion, Alfred, are now in Abarrach, the Realm of Stone. Here the humans, dwarves, and elves have almost died off because of the extremely cold, dark climate of the caves in which they live. Haplo's lord may have found a way for Haplo to leave Abarrach, but Haplo may have to risk more than his life. Sequel to *Elven Star (RC 39362)*. Violence. 1991.

Serpent Mage: The Death Gate Cycle, Volume 4 RC 39364
by Margaret Weis and Tracy Hickman
read by John Horton
3 cassettes
Haplo and Alfred arrive in Chelestra, the Realm of the Sea. Here Alfred finds his own people, and Haplo's magical powers are rejuvenated. Though this is the one realm where humans, elves, and dwarves live in harmony, danger lurks in the form of powerful dragon-snakes. Sequel to *Fire Sea (RC 39363)*. Some violence. 1992.

Sleeping Murder RC 39383
by Agatha Christie
read by Carmella Ross
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Newlywed New Zealander Gwenda Reed has just come to England where she will select a house while awaiting the arrival of her husband, Giles. She finds and buys the perfect house but experiences odd moments of déjà vu. Shaken, Gwenda decides to visit Giles's cousins in London. Their elderly, puzzle-loving aunt, Miss Marple, is on hand when a line in a play triggers a frightening memory for Gwenda—seeing a dead woman lying in the newly purchased house. 1976.

Tarnished Hearts RC 39465
by Raine Cantrell
read by Jack Fox
2 cassettes
Trevor Shelby's youthful dream of being a doctor was literally beaten out of him by his father. Then he was sent to boarding school. But war is now imminent in the South, and Trevor, twenty-six, has been called home to Georgia. He is back only a few days when he meets Leah Reese, the daughter of his

friend's overseer. But their desire for each other is forbidden by their class differences. Violence, descriptions of sex, and some strong language. 1994.

Camelot 30K RC 39466
by Robert L. Forward
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
Space probes discover alien life on an ice-covered cometoid outside the solar system. A crew of human scientists is sent to study and communicate with the small insect-like creatures, called the Kerack, who have developed a complex civilization on a world where surface temperatures hover only a few degrees above absolute zero. The humans' first contact is with Merlene, the resident "Wizard" of the Kerack city dubbed Camelot by the earthers. 1993.

The Scapegoat RC 39475
by Mary Lee Settle
read by Helen Harrelson
2 cassettes (Reissue)
The story of one tragic day in a West Virginia mining town in 1912. A strike at the mine has gone on without incident for a month until a well-meaning Vassar-educated daughter of the owner commits an unthinking act that leads to unthinkable results. The daughters of the mine owner recall the day from their unique vantage points. Some strong language. 1980.

The Glory RC 39492
by Herman Wouk
read by David Hartley-Margolin
5 cassettes
In *The Hope (RC 37628)*, Wouk provided an account of the first twenty years of Israel's short history as seen through the eyes of three families. Now he continues with Israeli people amidst further military conflicts: the Yom Kippur War, the rescue at Entebbe, and the bombing of Iraq's nuclear reactor. He concludes his account with the Camp David Accords and the promise for peace within the Middle East. Some strong language and some violence. 1994.

The Kif Strike Back: The Chanur Saga, Volume 3 RC 39497
by C.J. Cherryh
read by J.P. Linton
3 cassettes
Now that the kif have Pyanfar's niece Hilfy and the human, Tully, Pyanfar and the crew of the *Pride* have no choice but to battle the kif. They meet at Mkks station on the kif border, where Pyanfar is given the opportunity to get Hilfy and Tully back, along with a slave, Skkukuk, in exchange for helping the kif retake Kefk station. Sequel to *Chanur's Venture (RC 39496)*. Some violence and some strong language. 1985.

Chanur's Homecoming: The Chanur Saga, Volume 4 RC 39498
by C.J. Cherryh
read by J.P. Linton
3 cassettes
Pyanfar, on her way home, has on board her old enemy Dur Tahar the pirate, who is returning to hani justice. But before they arrive, they are caught in a battle. Pyanfar owes her life to the slave Skkukuk, and she is stuck at Kefk station. Now Pyanfar and the crew of the *Pride* become the last hope for the hani race. Sequel to *The Kif Strike Back (RC 39497)*. Some violence and some strong language. 1986.

Heart of the Wilderness RC 39626
by Janette Oke
read by Mary Woods
2 cassettes
At fifty, George McMannus must begin a new life. His daughter and son-in-law have been killed while on a wilderness trip and he must care for his four-year-old granddaughter, Kendra. George is concerned about the kind of life he can provide for her in his cabin in the wild, but he knows they must be together. As Kendra matures she learns to trust God to help her through many troubled times, and eventually so does her grandfather. 1993.

Angel of Fire RC 39636
by Jessica Douglass
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
3 cassettes
After a gang of thieves kills Torey Lansford's ailing father and rapes her sister Lisbeth on their remote Kansas ranch, a grim Torey transforms herself into Vic Langley, bounty hunter, and vows to track and kill the criminals. A friend points her to Noah Killian, who has his own vendetta against the gang's leader, John Pike. Killian reluctantly teams up with Vic, until he discovers her gender. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

Fire and Rain RC 39637
by Kathleen Eagle
read by Yvonne Fair Tessler
3 cassettes
When college student Cecily Metcalf is a volunteer on the Sioux reservation, she meets Kiah Red Thunder, and they have ten days together before he returns to the Vietnam War. Cecily discovers a journal of another white woman, Priscilla Twiss, who fell in love with a Lakota Sioux 100 years earlier. As a journalist in 1980, Cecily is reunited with Kiah while investigating Priscilla's fate. Strong language, explicit descriptions of sex, and some violence. 1994.

The Complete Butcher's Tales RC 39640
by Rikki Ducornet
read by Mary Woods
1 cassette
Very short stories about everything under the sun. Some bear the name of an animal, such as "Foxes," in which nature and reality are mixed with imagination. In "Friendship," Felix grows a tumor as big as a head and is grateful for its companionship. "Luggage" is the tale of a man who has just lost his wife but finds that her spirit has deepened their relationship. Some strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

Brules RC 39642
by Harry Combs
read by Chuck Benson
5 cassettes
Brules relates that back in 1867, when he was eighteen, he found himself an honest whore named Michelle. Only trouble was, he had to kill his boss to claim her. From then on, they are on the run—until a group of Comanches capture Michelle and burn her to death. Then Brules, with time out for buffalo-hunting and mule-driving, sets out for revenge. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. 1992.

Trouble and Her Friends RC 39645
by Melissa Scott
read by Mary Woods
3 cassettes
India Carless, aka Trouble to her

friends, decides to go straight and get out of the underground world of "net-walkers," or shadows, now that a bill has been passed that will cause difficulty in the world they inhabit. India gets a legitimate job with an art co-op; forgets her lover, Cerise, whom she leaves behind; and begins to build a new life for herself. Then someone still in the shadows begins to use her name. Strong language and descriptions of sex. 1994.

The City Below RC 39646
by James Carroll
read by Jamie Horton
3 cassettes
As Irish-Catholic children growing up near Boston, Nick and Terry Doyle were inseparable. As young adults, Terry feels called to the priesthood, but leaves to become active in Kennedy's presidential campaign, while Nick runs their grandfather's flower shop and gets involved with the mob. Each becomes successful but pays a great price. Sequel to *Mortal Friends (RC 11619)*. Violence, strong language, and descriptions of sex. 1994.

Pirate RC 39650
by Fabio and Eugenia Riley
read by Jim Zeiger
2 cassettes
After his father is killed in Spain, Venetian Marco Glaviano becomes a privateer for England, battling the Spaniards. He rescues orphan Christina Abbott and rears her on his island. Six years later Christina, who has always loved Marco, insists that he marry her. Fighting his own attraction to her, Marco arranges for Christina to marry someone more suitable. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1993.

The Bloody Sun RC 39654
by Marion Zimmer Bradley
read by Erik Sandvold
3 cassettes
After many years of life on Earth and other planets, Jeff Kerwin returns to the planet Darkover to find his family roots and to sort through the memories of his early life in the Spacemen's Orphanage. But he finds only mystery. There are no official records of his parents or of his childhood on Darkover. Even more inexplicable, the native Darkovans seem to mistake him for a highborn Comyn lord. 1964.

Lord of Chaos: The Wheel of Time, Book 6 RC 39661
by Robert Jordan
read by Roy Avers
7 cassettes
Rand al'Thor, the farm boy who has been reluctantly cast as the Dragon Reborn, continues to unite the nations of the world for the final battle with the Dark One. This time out, he attempts to persuade the Aes Sedai, the female mystics who are Wielders of the One Power, to join his cause, while avoiding the pitfalls set before him by his enemies. Sequel to *The Fires of Heaven (RC 37569)*. Bestseller 1994.

Federation RC 39662
by Judith and Garfield Reeves-Stevens
read by Gary Tipton
3 cassettes
Captain Kirk and the *Enterprise* are sent to rescue a famous scientist whose safety is vital to the existence of the Federation. Ninety-nine years in the future, Captain Picard of the Next Generation *Enterprise* faces a similar rescue mission. The two vessels draw together in a place where past and future have

merged, and Kirk and Picard meet in a desperate bid to save the galaxy. A Star Trek novel. Bestseller 1994.

Dixie City Jam RC 39663
by James Lee Burke
read by Bruce Huntey
2 cassettes
When he was in college, Dave Robicheaux located the remains of a Nazi submarine at the mouth of the Mississippi River. Now Detective Robicheaux has been offered ten thousand dollars to help recover it. He first refuses, but then agrees when he needs some quick cash. And he has another problem: someone else who wants the submarine is threatening Robicheaux's family. Strong language, some violence, and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1994.

Southern Ghost RC 39667
by Carolyn G. Hart
read by Ann Hodapp
2 cassettes
Because Annie Laurance Darling runs a bookstore, she rarely becomes involved in the cases of her husband Max, a private detective. But when Max is arrested after his client Courtney Kimball mysteriously disappears, Annie has no choice. Since Courtney had asked Max to investigate the Tarrant family, Annie and Max look to the Tarrants for leads. What they find are two past deaths that haven't been fully explained. Strong language. 1992.

The Thirteenth Juror RC 39668
by John T. Lescroart
read by Ray Foushee
4 cassettes
In the sequel to *Hard Evidence (RC 38231)*, attorney Dismas Hardy has hung out his own shingle but he's had no bites. Then he is asked to assist lawyer David Freeman, who is handling a complex, high-profile case. Jennifer Witt is accused of killing her physician husband and her young son for the insurance money. In addition, the police have exhumed Jennifer's first husband and are accusing her of his death, too. Strong language and some violence. 1994.

Time of the Twins: Dragonlance Legends, Volume 1 RC 39671
by Margaret Weis and Tracy Hickman
read by John Polk
3 cassettes
The darkness was over in Krynn with the ending of the War of the Lance, but Raistlin Majere wants to see the darkness return. There are only two people who can prevent Raistlin from reaching his goal: Caramon, his twin brother, and Crysania of the House of Tarinius, who is a cleric of good. But many obstacles stand in their way. Prequel to *War of the Twins (RC 39686)*. Some violence. 1986.

The Captive Bride: The House of Winslow, Book 2 RC 39679
by Gilbert Morris
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
While studying in England, Matthew Winslow, Gilbert and Humility's son, marries Lydia Carbonne. But their time together is short, or so it seems when Matthew goes down with a ship. Lydia and her father-in-law travel to America, where Lydia gives birth to a daughter, Rachel. It becomes Rachel's destiny to carry on the word of God, but will she have the faith to do so? Sequel to *The Honorable Imposter (RC 39673)*. 1987.

The Indentured Heart: The House of Winslow, Book 3 RC 39685
by Gilbert Morris
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
Adam Winslow is a farmer and he is now headed for England where he intends to study the latest farming methods. In England, Adam meets Molly Burns, whom he brings back to America as an indentured servant. Adam and his brother Charles attempt to make a living on their farm, but fate is not kind, and it is only through faith in God and themselves that they find happiness and love. Sequel to *The Captive Bride (RC 39679)*. 1988.

War of the Twins: Dragonlance Legends, Volume 2 RC 39686
by Margaret Weis and Tracy Hickman
read by John Polk
3 cassettes
One hundred years have passed since the Cataclysm struck Istar. The sky poured fire, the mountain toppled onto the city, and the sea rushed in, destroying the Temple. Raistlin, with renewed powers, had escaped, along with his twin, Caramon, and the cleric Crysania. Now Raistlin plans to challenge the Queen of Darkness. Sequel to *Time of the Twins (RC 39671)*. Some violence. 1986.

Virtual Mode: The Mode, Book 1 RC 39687
by Piers Anthony
read by Gary Tipton
3 cassettes
Colene, an abused child, wants to die. Darius, a man from another reality looking for a wife, may mean her happiness. But Darius leaves when Colene cannot accept his world. Then, realizing their error, Colene learns to use Virtual Mode and needs the help of a telepathic horse, a woman whose memories are the future, and a magician to enter Darius's world. Prequel to *Fractal Mode (RC 36986)*. Some descriptions of sex. 1991.

Hawks: The Wings of War, Book 2 RC 39688
by Ray Rosenbaum
read by Roy Avers
3 cassettes
Ross Colyer and members of his crew who survived the Ploesti raid return to the United States. Retrained to fly Mustang fighters, Colyer is sent to China, where he carries fuel and spare parts to American bases. He and his crew battle Japanese fighters and political tangles at the end of the administrative pipeline, where supplies are scarce. Sequel to *Falcons (RC 39672)*. Strong language, some violence, and some descriptions of sex. 1994.

The Gentle Rebel: The House of Winslow, Book 4 RC 39693
by Gilbert Morris
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
The Winslow family story continues as Nathan, son of Adam and Molly, becomes involved in the American Revolution and considers becoming a minister. Nathan's love for his cousin, Abigail Howland, brings him joy and pain during the war as it moves from Lexington to Bunker Hill. But in the end, he will come to realize the strength of his love for Julie Sampson. Sequel to *The Indentured Heart (RC 39685)*. 1988.

Test of the Twins: Dragonlance Legends, Volume 3 RC 39694
by Margaret Weis and Tracy Hickman
read by John Polk
3 cassettes
Raistlin and Crysania have used their magical powers to reach the Portal that leads to the Abyss, where they will challenge the Queen of Darkness. Now they must again call upon their faculties to open the Portal. But just then, Raistlin's twin, Caramon, employs his ability to change time, leaving him and Tasslehoff to face the queen. Sequel to *War of the Twins (RC 39686)*. Some violence. 1986.

The Saintly Buccaneer: The House of Winslow, Book 5 RC 39701
by Gilbert Morris
read by Mitzi Friedlander
3 cassettes
The Revolutionary War continues, and cousins Nathan and Paul find themselves on opposite sides. Paul is captured by the British and taken aboard a ship, where he is affected by amnesia. As his memory returns, Paul must face himself and his God to find peace and love in the arms of Charity Alden. Sequel to *The Gentle Rebel (RC 39693)*. 1988.

The Man of the Forest RC 39702
by Zane Grey
read by John Polk
3 cassettes
Beasley has always believed Al Auchincloss cheated him out of land and sheep when their partnership ended. Now the dying Auchincloss has sent for his niece Helen, from back East, so he can leave her the land. Beasley plans to see that Helen never arrives to claim it. But Milt Dale, who has been a loner all his life, hears of Beasley's plot and will do all he can to see that the niece of his old friend Auchincloss comes to no harm. 1922.

The Harafish RC 39705
by Naguib Mahfouz
read by Fred Major
3 cassettes
The history of the al-Nagi family. A resident of the alley, Ashur Abdullah survives the great plague and performs good deeds for the people of the alley. He is chosen to be their clan leader and henceforth is known as al-Nagi. As generation follows generation, the family slowly lose their status and power. They experience love affairs, divorce, murder, and betrayal, until one member finally brings the al-Nagi to glory again. 1977.

Nocturne RC 39708
by Lisa St. Aubin de Terán
read by Fred Major
2 cassettes
As a young boy in rural Italy, Alessandro Mezzanotte falls in love with Valentina, a circus gypsy. When World War II begins, the circus no longer comes, but Alessandro continues to dream of Valentina. Wounded in the war, he returns to his home where for forty years he lives alone—his only companion the conscript who cares for him. But when Stefano comes to help, each finds new meaning in the present. Some violence and some strong language. 1992.

The Holy Warrior: The House of Winslow, Book 6 RC 39709
by Gilbert Morris
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
As America expands westward, Nathan's sons Christmas and Knox also head west. Knox plans to establish a

trading post. Christmas wants to escape from his past and avoid the future planned for him. He marries a Sioux woman and settles on the frontier. But home and God call to him, and he returns to enroll at Yale and become a minister. Sequel to *The Saintly Buccaneer (RC 39701)*. 1989.

Taking Chances RC 39716
by Janelle Taylor
read by Carole Jordan Stewart
3 cassettes
Kirstin Lowrey is on her way to San Diego and a new job when she has a diabetes attack in New Mexico. She winds up at the home of Christopher Harrison, a surgeon who has had to give up his life's work due to an injury. Now he lives on a ranch and treats only a few locals. He and Kirstin quickly fall in love, but neither seems willing to give up a current career. Strong language and explicit descriptions of sex. 1993.

The Reluctant Bridegroom: The House of Winslow, Book 7 RC 39717
by Gilbert Morris
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
Sky Winslow does not want a wife for himself, but he has agreed to assemble women for a wagon train to Oregon. After interviewing many candidates, Sky is set to leave when he receives two more pleas, one from Rita Duvall, a dance hall girl he originally refused to take, and one from Rebekah Jackson, a religious woman who is caring for one child and has one of her own on the way. Sequel to *The Holy Warrior (RC 39709)*. 1990.

Silk and Stone RC 39720
by Deborah Smith
read by Ann Hodapp
3 cassettes
When William Vanderveer gives his bride Alexandra the Pandora ruby that should have gone to his sister Sarah Raincrow, a family feud begins. Then Sarah's young son Jake, who inherited his Native American grandmother's psychic abilities, cures Alexandra's speechless niece Samantha. When Jake vows to protect little Sam against the evil he senses in Alexandra, the two form a lifelong bond. Strong language, violence, and some descriptions of sex. 1994.

The World of Apples RC 39721
by John Cheever
read by Fred Major
1 cassette (Reissue)
Ten short stories. Subjects include a suburban husband who is undone by his wife's role in a nude play, a man who suffers his final indignity from his eccentric wife, an artistic mother and her musically talented son who care little about family approval, and a young man who goes to Russia in search of a bride but succeeds only in raising suspicions. The title story is about an old poet who still hopes to win the Nobel Prize. Some strong language. 1973.

Graveyard Working RC 39723
by Gerald Duff
read by Terry Hayes Sales
1 cassette
Set in a small town in East Texas, where Myrtle Shackleford lives with her sister MayBelle Holt. Myrtle's three children conspire with MayBelle to have their mother committed when she begins to have extraterrestrial visitors. And

Myrtle's Baptist-preacher son is busy trying to make his Christian guard dogs mean. But first it's time for the annual "graveyard working," with dinner at the cemetery and a preach-off. Some strong language. 1994.

Godspeed RC 39724
by Charles Sheffield
read by David Palmer
2 cassettes
Godspeed Drive starships have not landed at the planet Erin of Maveen's Forty Worlds for many years. Thus Erin has become isolated. But when spaceman Paddy Enderton visits Molly Hara and gives her young son, Jay, science trinkets never seen before, Jay finds himself searching space for a Godspeed Drive ship. On the way, he must contend with artificial intelligence and mutiny. For high school and older readers. 1993.

The Last Confederate: The House of Winslow, Book 8 RC 39725
by Gilbert Morris
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
God's love has changed Rebekah and Sky Winslow, who, with their children, have now settled on a plantation in Virginia. Civil war is on the horizon, and they are suspicious of young Thad Novak, who has appeared as a fugitive from the North. But as the war rages between North and South, Thad becomes an important asset to the southern branch of the Winslow family. Sequel to *The Reluctant Bridegroom (RC 39717)*. 1990.

Confession: A Jenny Cain Mystery RC 39726
by Nancy Pickard
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
Amateur sleuth Jenny Cain and her policeman husband Geof Bushfield are shocked when teenager David Mayer comes to their door claiming to be Geof's son. David wants Geof to reopen the case of David's parents' deaths because he doesn't believe they were a murder-suicide. His mother, who had a reputation of being "easy" in high school, had married her longtime boyfriend after she became pregnant. She left David evidence of his parentage. Strong language. 1994.

Charlie's Apprentice RC 39727
by Brian Freemantle
read by Fred Major
3 cassettes
In the sequel to *Comrade Charlie (RC 39188)*, British spy Charlie Muffin has returned from the now-dissolved Soviet Union only to learn that the new deputy director has unsettling plans for him. Instead of being an operative, Charlie is to teach new agents his own brand of survival skills. When Charlie's first student's cover is blown in Beijing, Charlie comes to the rescue. Meanwhile, Charlie's former KGB lover is trying to contact him. Strong language. 1993.

The Dixie Widow: The House of Winslow, Book 9 RC 39733
by Gilbert Morris
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
When Belle Wickham became a widow, she vowed never to remarry until the Yankees were whipped. Now Belle has

been asked to become a spy for the Confederacy. She uses her position as a relative of Whitfield Winslow to gain entry into Washington society, where she can secure secret information. But Belle finds not only God's love, but that of another Winslow in Washington. Sequel to *The Last Confederate (RC 39725)*. 1991.

Banished Children of Eve RC 39735
by Peter Quinn
read by Roy Avers
4 cassettes
New York City in the summer of 1863 is about to erupt into violence. The Civil War continues, Irish immigrants flood the city, and they, along with city residents, begin to fear that the black people arriving from the South will take their jobs. Quinn explores the interaction among these groups as they unite in a common cause—to fight the new military draft. Violence, strong language, and descriptions of sex. 1994.

Cheyenne Surrender RC 39739
by Madeline Baker
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
When he learns of his parents' deaths, "half-breed" Caleb Stryker returns to Cheyenne to claim his hated father's ranch. He is approached by Callie McGuire, who claims that Caleb's father was her mother's lover and had promised to provide for Callie. Caleb is very attracted to Callie, but she refuses to follow in her mother's footsteps. To keep Callie near, Caleb hires her as a housekeeper. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

This Time Forever RC 39740
by Kathleen Eagle
read by Madelyn Buzzard
3 cassettes
When rodeo rider Cleve Black Horse's truck breaks down, he accepts a ride from Arnie Bertram. By night's end, Arnie is dead and innocent Cleve is arrested for murder. Nurse Susan Ellison is the only jury member who believes Cleve, but she finally agrees to a guilty verdict. When Susan grows attached to an infant patient, she confronts Cleve again: she thinks he is the father. Strong language, explicit descriptions of sex, and some violence. 1992.

The Wounded Yankee: The House of Winslow, Book 10 RC 39741
by Gilbert Morris
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
After one year of service in the Union Army, Zack Winslow returns to his home in Cincinnati. The news he receives upon arrival triggers his move to Montana, where he plans to live as a hermit. But God has a way of imposing his own will, and Zack finds he is unable to keep his vow. To begin, he finds himself caring for an orphaned child. Sequel to *The Dixie Widow (RC 39733)*. 1991.

Maybe in Missoula RC 39742
by Toni Volk
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
After twelve years of marriage to Morton, Annie realizes she no longer wants to have sex with him. They divorce, and Annie takes their son Sammy to Missoula, where she first met Morton. Back then, Annie was living with Morton's brother, Paul, and Morton was visiting

them. When Annie, pregnant, fled Paul's fear of commitment, it was Morton who found her and married her. Now Paul wants to reenter Annie's life. Some strong language. 1994.

Eclipse Fever RC 39743
by Walter Abish
read by Bruce Huntey
2 cassettes
At the center of this novel set in Mexico is a professor and literary critic separated from his Spanish wife, who is having an affair with an American writer. Their circle includes an American businessman and his wife, who has a Mexican lover. Young people, including the critic's daughter, become involved in the culture of destruction that they witness in the adult world until no life is left untouched. Strong language, descriptions of sex, and some violence. 1993.

Roughshod RC 39744
by Norman A. Fox
read by Jack Fox
1 cassette
Imported gunman Reb Kittredge has been summoned to Sleeping Cat by Gault Telford, who wants to take over the remaining independent ranch, Dan Saxon's Circle-S. But before he begins working for Telford, Kittredge wins the Circle-S from Saxon playing cards. With the help of Saxon and Saxon's daughter, Kittredge plots to beat Telford at his own game. Strong language and violence. 1950.

Diamond in the Rough RC 39745
by Suzanne Simmons
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
The Duke of Deakin, Lawrence Wicke, has traveled to America at his friend's urging to find an American heiress to wed. The best candidate is wealthy twenty-four-year-old Juliet Jones, but she has vowed never to be married for her money. She lives with an elderly aunt and a newly discovered cousin. Surprised and pleased to fall in love with Juliet, Lawrence is dismayed when she discovers his plan. Strong language and explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

One Sweet Quarrel RC 39747
by Deirdre McNamer
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
Shelby, Montana, 1973. Michael Cage, now an actor in Hollywood, is coming to Shelby to gather information about the heavyweight boxing match that took place there in 1923. Among the town residents are the Malones—Daisy Lou, who changed her name to Amelia during her brief career in New York, and Jerry, who came to Shelby as a homesteader and was one of those responsible for the boxing match, an event that forever changed their lives. 1994.

The Union Belle: The House of Winslow, Book 11 RC 39749
by Gilbert Morris
read by Mitzi Friedlander
3 cassettes
Just released from a Mexican jail, Mark Winslow stops in Texas and ends up in prison again for defending Lola Montez. Lola sees to his release, and they head for Omaha, where each finds work with the Union Pacific Railroad. Lola, searching for her father, becomes a blackjack dealer known as the Union Belle. Then life takes an unexpected turn when Lola locates her father, a preacher. Sequel to *The Wounded Yankee (RC 39741)*. 1992.

The Final Adversary: The House of Winslow, Book 12 RC 39750
by Gilbert Morris
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
Barney Winslow, Mark and Lola's son, leaves home because he feels he can never be as good as his younger brother or his sister. He gets into trouble and lands in prison. Lola gets him released, thanks to the help of Katie Sullivan. Barney has become a bitter man and wants nothing to do with God or anyone else, but a friend from prison will have a positive effect on him. Sequel to *The Union Belle (RC 39749)*. 1992.

The Crossed Sabres: The House of Winslow, Book 13 RC 39751
by Gilbert Morris
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
Thomas Winslow survives the Civil War but returns home to find he has been betrayed by his wife, Marlene, and his best friend, Spencer Grayson. The only thing Tom has left from his marriage is his daughter, Laurie. Tom joins the Department of Indian Affairs and with his daughter travels through much of the West. But his life continues to be haunted by his old friend Grayson. Sequel to *The Final Adversary (RC 39750)*. 1993.

The Gallant Outlaw: The House of Winslow, Book 15 RC 39753
by Gilbert Morris
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
Betsy Winslow, daughter of Bron and Zach, is jealous of her sister Lanie. So when Vic Perrago pays attention to her, and then offers marriage, Betsy is too overwhelmed to see the dangers ahead. She and Vic elope, and she soon discovers that Vic is an outlaw. When her father learns the truth, he sends Lanie to find Betsy and bring her home. But Lanie must hire another outlaw to help her. Sequel to *The Valiant Gunman (RC 39752)*. 1994.

Out of the Crucible: Treasure Quest, Book 3 RC 39791
by Marian Wells
read by Mary Kane
2 cassettes
In the sequel to *Colorado Gold (RC 39781)*, the Civil War reaches Colorado Territory, separating preacher Daniel Gerrett from his wife, Amy. Meanwhile, Amy's long-absent mother begins to build a life again with Amy's preacher-father, and half-black Crystal Thomas seeks revenge against the man who destroyed her marriage to Matthew. Faith guides them all through their trials. Prequel to *Jewel of Promise (RC 39822)*. 1988.

Jewel of Promise: Treasure Quest, Book 4 RC 39822
by Marian Wells
read by Mary Kane
3 cassettes
In the sequel to *Out of the Crucible (RC 39791)*, Mike Clancy is transporting runaway slaves in Alex Duncan's *Golden Awl* when he meets ornery Beth Peamble. Meanwhile, Alex and Olivia cut short their Canadian stay to cast Alex's vote for Lincoln. As Beth finds the Lord and falls in love with Mike, Alex and Olivia must use their own strong faith to survive the horrors of the Civil War. Some violence. 1990.

The Children in the Woods: New and Selected Stories RC 39833
by Frederick Busch
read by Don Feldheim
3 cassettes
A collection by the author of *Long Way from Home (RC 36724)*. In "Bread," twenty-six-year-old Chuck helps older sister Kendall sort through the belongings of their parents, who have just died. As Chuck makes bread from dough his mother had frozen, Kendall describes feeling like Hansel and Gretel coming home to an empty house, tricked again. In "The Settlement of Mars," a boy whose parents are taking separate vacations worries about his failing eyesight. Strong language. 1994.

Air and Fire RC 39839
by Rupert Thomson
read by Anne Hancock
3 cassettes
A French couple transports a prefabricated church designed by Gustave Eiffel to Baja California in the 1890s. There a small French community exploits Mexican labor while the husband, an engineer, oversees the construction project and his wife attracts the attention of a Mexican military commander and an American prospector. Descriptions of sex, violence, and some strong language. 1993.

Summer King, Winter Fool RC 39850
by Lisa Goldstein
read by Anne Hancock
2 cassettes
Winter has become endless in Etrara since Callabrion, god of summer, fell in love and failed to reascend into heaven and bring summer to the land. Because of a misunderstanding in Etrara, Valemar, courtier and would-be poet, has been exiled to a city by the sea. There he finds the library where ancient knowledge of his homeland is guarded by the lovely Taja and where he learns the secret of his past. 1994.

†From Fields of Gold RC 39872
by Alexandra Ripley
read by Yvonne Fair Tessler
3 cassettes
Nate Richardson, a North Carolina tobacco farmer, travels to Virginia to acquire the patent for a cigarette-rolling machine from Mr. Augustus Standish. The price tag is marriage to Mr. Standish's granddaughter Chess. This marriage of convenience becomes a business partnership that puts Nate on top of the tobacco industry. But the marriage is in danger when his past comes back to haunt him. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1994.

†Original Sin RC 39874
by P.D. James
read by David Hartley-Margolin
3 cassettes
Adam Dalgliesh and his Scotland Yard cohorts are looking into murders at Innocent House, the offices of London publishing house Peverell Press. On her first day of work, temporary typist Mandy Price finds the body of editor Sonia Clements. Soon the managing director, Gerard Etienne, is found dead with the office mascot, stuffed snake Hissing Sid, in his mouth. Also a manuscript has been altered and some illustrations have disappeared. Bestseller 1994.

†Acceptable Risk RC 39876
by Robin Cook
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
3 cassettes
In 1692, Elizabeth Stewart is hanged as a witch in Salem after a young girl in her care experiences hallucinations. Now, 300 years later, Elizabeth's descendant Kim Stewart, who inherited Elizabeth's house, is dating a scientist who suspects a mold on Elizabeth's rye caused the problem. His search leads to the discovery of a possible antidepressant, but his odd behavior is scaring Kim. Violence and some strong language. Bestseller 1994.

†Let Me Call You Sweetheart RC 39878
by Mary Higgins Clark
read by Mary Woods
2 cassettes
When prosecutor Kerry McGrath takes her injured daughter to plastic surgeon Charles Smith, she is puzzled by two women in his waiting room who look eerily familiar. She soon realizes they are replicas of Smith's daughter, Suzanne Reardon, who was murdered ten years ago. Remembering it was Smith's testimony that pinned the murder on Reardon's husband, McGrath reopens the case, even though it puts her career in jeopardy. Bestseller 1995.

†The Carousel RC 39880
by Belva Plain
read by Jill Ferris
2 cassettes
The Greys of Grey's Food are well respected in their community. Patriarch Oliver Grey has retired, leaving the company to his sons Ian and Clive, niece Amanda, and nephew Dan. But there is trouble in the family. Soon many long-hidden skeletons begin to emerge, and the family is rocked by one tragedy after another. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1995.

†The Apocalypse Watch RC 39881
by Robert Ludlum
read by Chuck Benson
5 cassettes
Harry Latham, aka Alexander Lassiter, has infiltrated the headquarters of the neo-Nazi organization Brotherhood of the Watch. They know he is an imposter, though, so his list of Nazi supporters in the United States and allied countries may be false. His brother Drew suspects the list is fake, and when Harry is killed, Drew assumes his identity in hopes of learning the truth. Violence and strong language. Bestseller 1995.

†Wings RC 39882
by Danielle Steel
read by Yvonne Fair Tessler
3 cassettes
As a child, Cassie O'Malley knew that she wanted to be a pilot like her father. He refused to instruct her, so she got family friend and ace pilot Nick Galvin to give her lessons. Cassie becomes an outstanding pilot who enjoys participating in air shows. Desmond Williams sees her at one and offers her a job. Cassie accepts and becomes involved in an adventure bigger than she dreamed of. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1994.

And All Our Wounds Forgiven RC 39886
by Julius Lester
read by L.J. Ganser
2 cassettes
The central character in this novel, John Calvin Marshall, is a fictional ver-

sion of Martin Luther King Jr. The story is told in flashbacks and from the perspective of many years. Marshall, his wife, a white mistress, and a close associate in the civil rights movement assess their successes and failures and ponder whether the effort was worthwhile. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

The Troubadour's Quest: The Theyn Chronicles, Volume 2 RC 39891
by Angela Elwell Hunt
read by Graeme Malcolm
2 cassettes
Now that Afton has finally married her beloved Calhoun and they have twin sons, Gislebert, the troubadour, begins to think about a family of his own. Once again he dreams of Nadine, whom he has not seen for twelve years, and sets out to find her. But along the way he rescues Jonas, a street urchin, and must learn to deal with two kinds of love: friendship and devotion to God. Sequel to *Afton of Margate Castle (RC 40289)*. 1993.

Treason's Harbour RC 40043
by Patrick O'Brian
read by Graeme Malcolm
2 cassettes
Following a battle off the Ionian islands, Captain Jack Aubrey and Dr. Stephen Maturin are in Malta, where both of Aubrey's ships, the *Worcester* and the *Surprise*, are undergoing repairs. While Aubrey concerns himself with the reconditioning work, Maturin, surgeon and spy, learns that agents of Napoleon are planning to sabotage Aubrey's next mission. 1983.

Moo RC 40060
by Jane Smiley
read by Pam Ward
3 cassettes
On the midwestern campus of Moo U, in a building called Old Meats, agronomy major and work-study student Bob Carlson feeds Earl the pig, a professor's secret project. Across campus in the dorm, four new freshman roommates eye each other warily. Meanwhile administrators, including the "albino Nordic twins," worry about Moo U's budget. Multiple other characters come into play in this adventure in academia. Some strong language. Bestseller 1995.

Code of Honor RC 40076
by Harold Coyle
read by Roy Avers
3 cassettes
The Eleventh Air Assault Division is in Colombia, South America, on a peacekeeping mission to aid the government in suppressing a left-wing group. While there, they must also attempt to inhibit some of the drug trade. But incompetence abounds, and when Captain Nancy Kozak overrides an order from her commanding officer, he wants her court-martialed, in spite of her leadership and heroism. Strong language and some violence. Bestseller 1994.

Death on a Cold, Wild River: A Peter McGarr Mystery RC 40078
by Bartholomew Gill
read by Andy Chappell
2 cassettes
In Ireland, the head of the Serious Crimes Unit, Peter McGarr, is shocked to learn that fiftyish fly-fishing expert Nellie Millar has drowned. Peter and Nellie had been lovers before Peter met his wife, Noreen, and he still keeps in

touch with Nellie's father, Nelson. When Nelson shows the visiting Peter a suspicious cut in Nellie's waders, Peter knows her death was no accident. Some strong language and some violence. 1993.

Mrs. Pargeter's Pound of Flesh: A Mrs. Pargeter Mystery RC 40080
by Simon Brett
read by Janis Gray
2 cassettes
The widowed English Mrs. Pargeter generously takes her friend Kim Thurrock to a health spa to lose a few pounds in order to look good for Thicko Thurrock's release from prison. The owner of the spa, thrilled to see the widow of his late underworld colleague, secretly provides her with gourmet food rather than diet fare. But then Mrs. Pargeter spies a young girl's wasted corpse and begins to doubt that the spa is on the up and up. 1992.

In the Tennessee Country RC 40082
by Peter Taylor
read by Barry Bernson
2 cassettes
Nathan, a professor and art historian, was only four when he made the trip from Washington, D.C., to Knoxville, Tennessee, aboard a train bearing the body of his grandfather, a senator. The boy first became aware of Cousin Aubrey when he witnessed the strange affect Aubrey's presence had on the family. But Aubrey disappeared soon after the funeral and Nathan has wondered about him ever since. Now he has time to try to locate his mysterious cousin. 1994.

Night Train to Memphis RC 40084
by Elizabeth Peters
read by Terry Hayes Sales
3 cassettes
An enigmatic message found on a dead man leads the Munich police to ask Vicky Bliss, assistant curator at the National Museum in Munich, to help them prevent a theft planned at the Cairo Museum. One of the suspects is Sir John Smythe, with whom Vicky has a love-hate relationship. Vicky reluctantly agrees, and finds herself cruising down the Nile on a luxury liner with several men in pursuit. Some strong language. 1994.

Saratoga Backtalk RC 40086
by Stephen Dobyns
read by James DeLotel
2 cassettes
Saratoga, New York, private detective Charlie Bradshaw is out of the office when horse farm owner Bernard Logan comes to call. Logan thinks his wife plans to kill him and wants Bradshaw to stop her. Bradshaw's easygoing but unethical friend Victor Plotz accepts the case for Bradshaw but overcharges Logan $850. When Bradshaw tries to return the money, Logan is already dead. Strong language and some violence. 1994.

The Red Scream RC 40090
by Mary Willis Walker
read by Carole Jordan Stewart
3 cassettes
A decade after confessing to the murder of Texas socialite Tiny McFarland, serial killer Louie Bronk faces execution. But journalist Molly Cates, who wrote a book on his crime, is beginning to have doubts about his guilt: Tiny's widower's second wife has been mur-

dered, and so has a key player in Bronk's conviction. Now Bronk is changing his story—or is it just his death-row red scream? Strong language, violence, and some descriptions of sex. 1994.

Wishing Season RC 40094
by Esther M. Friesner
read by Jack Fox
1 cassette
Khalid, one of the smartest genies in his class, receives an early chance to earn a lamp of his own. His first master is a scraggly black cat whose requests are simple: "Food. Clean fur. Loving home." But Khalid soon discovers a cat doesn't qualify as a master, and he returns to offer three wishes to the cat's new owner, Haroun. Trouble arises when impatient Khalid forgets to inform Haroun of the limit on wishes. For high school and older readers. 1993.

Dark Paradise RC 40096
by Tami Hoag
read by Carole Jordan Stewart
4 cassettes
When her boyfriend dumps her, California court reporter Marilee Jennings quits her job and heads for Montana to visit her friend Lucy. Marilee is shocked to learn that Lucy was recently killed by a hunter. Lucy left Marilee her estate, an odd assortment of acquaintances (including a surly, unsettling cowboy and a rich playboy), and some signs that she was involved in something devious. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

Self-Defense RC 40097
by Jonathan Kellerman
read by Roy Avers
3 cassettes
Therapist Alex Delaware is asked to counsel a young woman who served on a jury for the trial of a serial killer. Lucy Lowell is having nightmares, but not about the trial. In her dream, Lucy is a small girl watching her father and other men carry a woman's body. As the dreams become more intense, Lucy awakens in a hospital. They say she tried to kill herself, but she knows someone else is trying to kill her. Strong language and some violence. Bestseller 1995.

Promises to Keep RC 40099
by Marjorie Eatock
read by Terry Hayes Sales
2 cassettes
Almost sixty, Eleanor Wright has been working for antiques dealer Julia Bonford for thirty years. When Julia dies, Eleanor is dismayed to learn that, since Julia hadn't officially documented that they had become partners, the antique shop belongs to Julia's nephew Benton, a gruff farmer in his sixties. Meanwhile, charming Anthony Mondaine has an ulterior motive for courting Eleanor. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1994.

Witch and Wombat RC 40101
by Carolyn Cushman
read by Carole Jordan Stewart
2 cassettes
Hali, a witch, and Bernie, her familiar, are residents of a magic realm that is facing a shortage of psychic energy. The energy comes from mortals who believe in magic, but lately the mortals have had other thoughts on their minds. The executive producer of Hali's land has come up with the idea of a theme park called Grimmworld, and Hali will be the guide for their first four guests—two college men, a high school student, and a media critic. 1994.

The Concrete Blonde RC 40103
by Michael Connelly
read by Ray Foushee
3 cassettes
Four years ago, Los Angeles detective Harry Bosch killed alleged serial killer Norman Church, the Dollmaker. Now Bosch is being sued by Church's widow, who claims Church wasn't the killer who put makeup on his victims. During the trial, police receive a Dollmaker-style note leading them to a blonde corpse buried in concrete. Now Bosch has to prove that this is not the work of the original Dollmaker. Strong language and some violence. 1994.

Messer Marco Polo RC 40106
by Donn Byrne
read by James DeLotel
1 cassette
This story, first published in 1921, is Irishman Byrne's contribution to the tales of Marco Polo. In Byrne's account, Marco Polo is sent to China to explain the mysteries of Christianity, but his only convert is Kubla Khan's beautiful daughter, Golden Bells, with whom he falls in love. 1921.

Mallory's Oracle RC 40108
by Carol O'Connell
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
Kathleen Mallory has a desk job with the Special Crimes Section of the New York Police Department. When her adoptive father, detective Louis Markowitz, is killed, his body is found near the third victim of an apparent serial murderer of wealthy Gramercy Park women. Mallory goes on leave but takes over the case and finds that her prey is unpredictable and very clever. Strong language. 1994.

Beyond the Sunrise RC 40110
by Mary Balogh
read by Madelyn Buzzard
3 cassettes
Robert Blake, the marquess's seventeen-year-old illegitimate son, is in love with the young daughter of a family friend until her father lies to end their friendship. Later, fighting the French advance into Portugal in 1810, Captain Blake recognizes his former love, now the widowed marquesa das Minas. Thinking her still a teasing flirt, Blake is unaware that she too is a soldier. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1992.

Last Stand at Saber River RC 40112
by Elmore Leonard
read by Jack Fox
1 cassette
After serving in the Confederate Army, Paul Cable collects his family and returns to their Arizona home. But the new store owner, Edward Janroe, warns them it's not that simple: Union men headed up by the Kidston brothers have taken over the Cable ranch. Janroe, who claims to be running guns for the Confederacy, wants Cable to kill the men, and it looks as if Cable may have to. Violence and strong language. 1959.

Happy Endings RC 40114
by Katherine Stone
read by Mitzi Friedlander
3 cassettes
Three couples turn heartbreak into happy endings. Raven Winter is an attorney for director Jason Cole, who holds movie rights to a book by Holly Elliott. Holly, a recluse, thinks Lawrence, her father, died in Vietnam. Jason reunites Lawrence, a veterinarian in love with Caroline Hawthorne, with

Holly. And "gardener" Nick Gault finds happiness when he hits Raven with his truck. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1994.

Lamia, a Witch RC 40130
by Georgia Taylor
read by Carole Jordan Stewart
3 cassettes
Sixteenth-century France. When her mother is burned as a witch, nine-year-old Lamia begins living in the woods. She is befriended by a Florentine nobleman who is in France to claim his birthright, and she's aided by a merchant who also practices scientific sorcery. They and others help Lamia in her scheme to see that the bishop who condemned her mother suffers the same fate. Violence, some strong language, and some descriptions of sex. 1994.

The Italian Garden RC 40157
by Judith Lennox
read by Barbara Caruso
4 cassettes
In early sixteenth-century Italy, Joanna Zulian is abandoned by her father and goes to live with her artist uncle. Uncle Taddeo makes use of Joanna's talents as a painter but gives her no credit for her work. Pursued by several suitors and barred from an art career because of her sex, Joanna finds an acceptable way to use her talents: she creates a garden depicting four kinds of love she has known. For high school and older readers. 1993.

The Cloister and the Hearth; or, Maid, Wife, and Widow RC 40169
by Charles Reade
read by John Horton
5 cassettes
Historical romance set in late fifteenth-century Europe relating the adventures of Gerard, a young Dutchman in love with Margaret. Prevented from marrying, Gerard leaves Holland and, while he is in Italy, receives a forged letter convincing him of Margaret's death. Despondent, he enters a monastery and later finds Margaret not only alive, but also the mother of his son, Erasmus, who becomes a philosopher. 1861.

The Rock of Tanios RC 40174
by Amin Maalouf
read by Robert Blumenfeld
2 cassettes
Winner of the Goncourt Prize in France. High in a village in Lebanon is a rock where Tanios often perched until the day in the 1880s when he and his father disappeared. Now an elderly man relates the story and piques the curiosity of the narrator, who discovers the probable reasons for the mystery surrounding the boy and his sudden exit. The historical tale is one of political intrigue with contemporary overtones. 1993.

Skinner's Rules RC 40179
by Quintin Jardine
read by Graeme Malcolm
2 cassettes
When an attorney is horribly murdered on Edinburgh's Royal Mile, CID head Bob Skinner wonders if it is work-related. However, three subsequent murders suggest a serial killer instead. But then the attorney's lover (also an attorney) is murdered. The investigation sends Skinner into a world where his rules of fairness and honesty don't apply, and even he is forced to break them. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1993.

Higher Authority RC 40180
by Stephen White
read by Nick Sullivan
3 cassettes
When Teresa Crowder brings sexual harassment charges against her female former boss, her sister Lauren (a lawyer on medical leave with multiple sclerosis) comes to Utah to help. The case is a long shot: the defendant is married Mormon Blythe Oaks, now the assistant to the newly appointed Mormon Supreme Court justice. But before the case is tried, Oaks is murdered. Violence, some strong language, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

Coffee Will Make You Black RC 40187
by April Sinclair
read by Gail Nelson
2 cassettes
Sixth-grader Stevie first attracts the attention of the popular kids by naively stating that she's "not exactly" a virgin. She begins to mature during the civil rights and black power era. By the time Stevie is sixteen, Martin Luther King has been killed and the same kids who once argued about who was lightest have now demanded a black faculty. Amid these changes, Stevie also examines her sexual identity. Some strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

The Wild Palms RC 40188
by William Faulkner
read by L.J. Ganser
2 cassettes
This edition consists of two stories woven together. The title story is about two lovers in an ultimately disastrous affair. In the other, "Old Man," a convict accidentally freed during a flood struggles to save himself and a pregnant woman whose fate has been thrust into his hands. 1939.

***The Afterlife* and Other Stories RC 40189**
by John Updike
read by John Stratton
2 cassettes
Twenty-two short stories first published in the *New Yorker*, *Playboy*, *Esquire*, and the *Atlantic Monthly* explore life beyond middle age. In the title story, a couple is visiting retired friends in England when a dangerous fall awakens them to an awareness of life's final opportunities. Other stories counter nostalgia and sadness at the passing of generations with curiosity, insight, healing, and hope. 1994.

Dreamers and Desperadoes: Contemporary Short Fiction of the American West RC 40192
edited by Craig Lesley and Katheryn Stavrakis
read by Christopher Hurt
4 cassettes
Short stories featuring working people in the West. "Winter of '19" tells how two sheep ranchers save their flock during a blizzard. "Do You Hear Your Mother Talking?" tells of a millworker and a lumberjack's romance. And "Sleepwalkers" tells of a hotel maid's adjustment to the guests' schedules. Strong language. For high school and older readers. 1993.

The Man of the House RC 40196
by Isabella Macdonald Alden
read by Michael Pinney
2 cassettes
Reuben Stone is the man of the house, and it is up to him to see that his mother and his sister, Beth, have a roof over their heads and some food to eat. In the

1850s, it is hard for a twelve-year-old to find work, even for a few pennies a day. But on New Year's Eve, Reuben takes a wild ride in a wagon, saves a man's life, and learns to believe in God. Then an encounter with a businessman changes Reuben's life. 1883.

My Father's World: The Journals of Corrie Belle Hollister, Book 1 RC 40209
by Michael Phillips and Judith Pella
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Ten years have passed since Corrie and her four siblings arrived in California. Their Pa had been reported dead a long time ago, and Ma died on the trip west, leaving them alone except for their uncle, Nick, in California. There they begin spiritual growth. Now Nick wants Corrie to write a book from her diaries, so she starts with their arrival in 1852. Prequel to *Daughter of Grace (RC 40210)*. 1990.

Daughter of Grace: The Journals of Corrie Belle Hollister, Book 2 RC 40210
by Michael Phillips and Judith Pella
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Now that Corrie Belle Hollister and her brothers and sisters have found their father, the family, including Uncle Nick, have begun a new life together. Fortunately for Corrie, Mrs. Parrish continues to be a source of help and spiritual comfort. But their lives change when Pa decides the kids need a mother and sends for a mail-order bride. Sequel to *My Father's World (RC 40209)*. 1990.

Morning Star: The Ghost Rider, Book 1 RC 40216
by S.W. Brouwer
read by Jim Zeiger
2 cassettes
Passing through Laramie, Samuel Keaton comes upon a man beating an Indian. When the dust settles, the bully is dead and Keaton jailed. Though the marshall recognizes Keaton as a past fugitive, he believes Keaton was set up. When the Indian Keaton rescued appears to bust him out, the marshal doesn't interfere. As Keaton tries to sort out his new predicament, he can't seem to shake the mysterious Indian. Some violence. 1994.

Moon Basket: The Ghost Rider, Book 2 RC 40217
by S.W. Brouwer
read by Jim Zeiger
2 cassettes
In this sequel to *Morning Star (RC 40216)*, Samuel Keaton is now the marshal in Laramie. A few weeks into the job, he must solve a bank robbery and double murder. Ferreting out secrets and piecing them together to uncover the truth is the job of Pinkerton men, not marshals. But Keaton has no Pinkerton man, so he must rely on crotchety Doc Harper for help with the mystery. Some violence. 1994.

None to Accompany Me RC 40225
by Nadine Gordimer
read by Vanessa Maroney
2 cassettes
Vera Stark is an aging white South African attorney representing blacks shortly before the end of apartheid. She forces herself to examine the consequences of her personal life at the same time that she struggles to keep pace with the rapidly changing political situation. Meanwhile, a black couple, good friends of Vera, face tension as the wife rises to an executive position and the husband seems to be stuck in the patterns of the past. 1994.

Four Hands RC 40227
by Paco Ignacio Taibo II
read by Peter Gil
3 cassettes
A Mexican and an American journalist work together as a team covering the international scene. Devoted to one another, they are often at odds over complications arising from their personal lives. Their story, set in the late 1980s, progresses against a background that moves through time and place until everything comes together in a satire on the CIA's role in the politics of Nicaragua. Strong language. 1990.

Annunciation RC 40228
by David Plante
read by Marcia Churchill
3 cassettes
After her husband commits suicide, art historian Claire moves to London to do research. When her sixteen-year-old daughter Rachel is raped and impregnated, Claire is frantic that Rachel, like her father, will feel her chance for happiness has been taken. She involves Rachel in her search for a painting of the Annunciation. They join forces with a New York art editor who is fleeing demons of his own. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1994.

Acts of Love RC 40230
by Emily Listfield
read by Laura Giannarelli
3 cassettes
When Ted Waring comes to pick up his daughters for a hunting trip, he asks his estranged wife, Ann, to consider a reconciliation. Upon returning, Ted is furious to learn that she went on a date. One daughter leaves the room, but Julia stays and sees Ann shot with Ted's hunting gun. Julia insists it was deliberate murder, but Ted claims that Julia lunged at him to stop the arguing and caused the accident. Strong language and explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

Only You RC 40239
by Cynthia Victor
read by Ilona Dulaski
3 cassettes
Surgeon Ben Dameroff is shocked to recognize the face of the gunshot victim he is to operate on. He and policewoman Carlin Squire have had a love-hate relationship since they were neighbors as children. As the best students in their class, they competed with each other relentlessly. Their teenage love was thwarted by a series of mishaps for Ben and a tragedy involving both families. Strong language and explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

The Stone of Chastity RC 40243
by Margery Sharp
read by Vanessa Maroney
2 cassettes
In this comedy Professor Isaac Pounce discovers a manuscript dated 1803 alluding to the legend of a stone. The story goes that if a lady other than a virgin steps on the stone, she will fall in the water. Pounce, his sister-in-law, her son, and an earthy young woman named Carmen set up housekeeping in Gillenham and proceed to research the legend. A "trial of chastity" is proposed and hilarity ensues. 1940.

All Fall Down RC 40245
by Lee Gruenfeld
read by Gregory Gorton
4 cassettes
An airliner pilot's instruments are misreading, sending him off course. This, only a day after the National Transportation Safety Board in Washington

had received a warning outlining this exact incident. FBI agent Jack Webster helps his former colleagues at NTSB track down the blackmailer, who is threatening a repeat performance. But a veteran pilot in an old plane must face the sociopath head-on. Strong language and some violence. 1994.

The Temptress RC 40251
by Jude Deveraux
read by Laura Giannarelli
2 cassettes
Del Mathison has hired the man called Tynan to help Asher Prescott bring Mathison's daughter, Christiana, back home. Chris, who writes romance novels under the name of Nola Dallas, tends to get into trouble, so her father wants her where he can keep an eye on her. Prescott plans to marry her when she returns. But typically, Chris stirs up a lot of trouble on the way. Some explicit descriptions of sex. 1986.

The Shining Face RC 40252
by Harold Myra
read by Robert Sams
2 cassettes
The world of Yosha and Asel has become nothing more than a legend to the people of Mela's time. But soon that will change. A seeress has declared that Mela, who is blind, will fulfill the prophecy that one who is born blind will descend into the darkness to bring light to those left behind. Sequel to *Children in the Night (RC 40341)*. 1993.

The Wedding Dress RC 40253
by Marian Wells
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Since her parents' death, Rebecca has lived with the Smyth family. The only things she has from her home are a trunk, a Bible, and a wedding dress—for when she meets her true love. Rebecca is fond of Joshua Smyth but becomes a Mormon and travels to Utah, leaving behind her precious trunk and wedding dress. She weds Mormon Andrew Jacobson and is happy—until they get home to his other wife and his children. Prequel to *With This Ring (RC 40254)*. 1982.

With This Ring RC 40254
by Marian Wells
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Rebecca is rescued by her longtime friend Joshua Smyth following near death at the hands of her Mormon husband, Andrew Jacobson. Rebecca is cared for by Eagle and Solali at an Indian camp, and they all move on to Joshua's home in Oregon before Andrew learns that Rebecca is not dead. Rebecca is happy to be with Joshua, but she has difficulty recapturing her Christian faith. Sequel to *The Wedding Dress (RC 40253)*. 1984.

Deepwater: A Novel of the Carolinas RC 40264
by Pamela Jekel
read by Jill Ferris
5 cassettes
The spirit of the women of "the Colony Different," North Carolina, is illustrated in a family saga, beginning with two sisters, that starts before the Revolution and spans the years until the Civil War. After her father is killed by Indians and her mother dies of smallpox, Tess Hancock, herself a scarred smallpox survivor, must chop off her sister Glory's hand after a snake bites it. Some violence. 1994.

Champions of the Force: The Jedi Academy Trilogy, Volume 3 RC 40279
by Kevin J. Anderson
read by Chuck Benson
2 cassettes
The heroes of the New Republic continue their struggle against the evil Empire. Princess Leia strives to protect her children from imperial agents, Han Solo undertakes a mission to track down a rogue Jedi knight and persuade him to return to the good side of the Force, and Luke Skywalker lies comatose fighting for his survival on the spirit plane. Sequel to *Dark Apprentice (RC 40266)*. A Star Wars novel. Bestseller 1994.

The Door to December RC 40280
by Dean Koontz
read by David Hartley-Margolin
3 cassettes
Six years after her husband, Dylan, disappears with their three-year-old daughter, Melanie, child psychiatrist Laura McCaffrey is summoned by the police. They have found Dylan and two others brutally murdered. The three had been holding Melanie prisoner and conducting cruel behavior modification research on her. Melanie is in a trance, terrified of the door to December and the thing that lurks behind it. Strong language and violence. Bestseller 1994.

Trust Me RC 40282
by Jayne Ann Krentz
read by Mary Woods
2 cassettes
Once more wealthy computer expert Sam Stark is left at the altar. Caterer Desdemona Wainwright of the Right Touch can't afford to absorb the loss, so she insists Stark pay the bill. Stark hires her to cater functions for Stark Security Systems, but attempted theft of his breakthrough software complicates their lives and leads to murder. Descriptions of sex and some strong language. Bestseller 1995.

The Maltese Angel RC 40284
by Catherine Cookson
read by Yvonne Fair Tessler
4 cassettes
Young farmer Ward Gibson's life would have been quite different if he had not stopped at the Empire Music Hall in Newcastle and if the troupe appearing there had not been held over for another week. But he fell in love with dancer Fanny McQueen, known as the Maltese Angel, the moment he saw her. His troubles arise when Daisy Mason, who had expected to marry Ward, vows revenge. Some strong language. 1992.

The Courtship of Princess Leia RC 40286
by Dave Wolverton
read by Chuck Benson
2 cassettes
Princess Leia of the New Republic considers marrying Prince Isolder of the Hapes Consortium in order to form a military alliance against the Empire. Han Solo, shocked to learn he now has a rival for the hand of Princess Leia, makes a last desperate gamble to win her back. His ploy brings Leia, followed by Luke Skywalker and Prince Isolder, to the untamed planet Dathomir, where new dangers await. A Star Wars novel. 1994.

Afton of Margate Castle: The Theyn Chronicles, Volume 1 RC 40289
by Angela Elwell Hunt
read by Graeme Malcolm
3 cassettes
Wido and Corba are simple "villeins"

living on the estate of Lord Perceval. When their ewe dies while carrying the lamb that was to be their Michelmas offering to the lord, they are forced to give their only daughter, Afton, to Lady Endeline. Afton becomes a companion to the lord's daughter and lives in comfort—until she makes a grave mistake. Prequel to *The Troubadour's Quest (RC 39891)*. 1993.

***The Conjure Woman* and Other Conjure Tales RC 40299**
by Charles W. Chesnutt
read by John Stratton
2 cassettes
Collection of unsentimental black-vernacular tales written in the 1880s and 1890s. The narrator is Julius, a former slave, who tells stories about the old days to a visitor from the North. The slaves in these stories use the African tradition of conjuring to cast spells that serve as a method of resistance. Six of these thirteen tales were omitted from the first edition in 1899. 1993.

The Hinterlands: A Mountain Tale in Three Parts RC 40300
by Robert Morgan
read by Judith Ann Gantly and John Stratton
2 cassettes
A family saga begins in 1772 when young Petal Jarvis runs off with Realus Richards, who promises to take her out west. Eight years later, after birthing her children in a solitary homestead, Petal learns she has been just a stone's throw from her parents' settlement all along. In the remaining two segments, Petal's grandson and great-grandson recount their own mountain adventures and run-ins with "painter" cats. 1994.

The Book of Intimate Grammar RC 40301
by David Grossman
read by Ken Kliban
3 cassettes
Aron Kleinfeld, twelve, has been the ringleader in his Jerusalem neighborhood for many years. Then suddenly, his friends begin to put aside their childish ways and develop into adults. Yet for three more years, Aron refuses to mature—even after his bar mitzvah—and attempts to imitate his hero, Houdini, and escape growing up. But as the Six Day War comes, so does adulthood. Some descriptions of sex. 1991.

Closing Time RC 40303
by Joseph Heller
read by Richard Davidson
3 cassettes
Heller's sequel to *Catch-22 (RC 18132)* reintroduces many of the characters from the first novel written thirty-three years earlier. Yossarian is again in the hospital planning for his own early demise but, at sixty-eight, is in good health. In fact, he is organizing a wedding—at the Port Authority Bus Terminal—for the daughter of Milo Minderbinder. Milo is now involved in creating defense weapons for the government. Strong language. 1994.

East, West: Stories RC 40305
by Salman Rushdie
read by Yolande Bavan
1 cassette
Nine stories exploring tensions between uncrossable borders. One of the first three stories, which have eastern settings, depicts a woman who applies for a British visa so she can go to live with her husband in an arranged marriage. The middle stories, set in Europe, in-

clude a retelling of Hamlet. The final stories combine east-west elements. In one, an immigrant porter is torn between his native and his adopted countries. Some strong language. 1994.

Jubilee RC 40307
by Robert McCrum
read by John Horton
2 cassettes
When his British officer father dies, Jimmy Carter's former speech writer Sam Gilchrist sets aside the screenplay he is writing and turns to a task he has long neglected. Five years ago, Sam's journalist lover, an Australian, introduced him to British major Craig Marshall. Marshall thought Sam the perfect one to tell the world his story. Now Sam slowly reveals why he let Marshall spend these intervening years in prison. Some strong language. 1993.

Jasmine RC 40308
by Bharati Mukherjee
read by Yolande Bavan
2 cassettes
Young Jyoti, called Jasmine, plans to move with her new husband, Prakash, from their Indian village to a Florida university. Prakash is killed and Jasmine flees to the United States to become a caregiver for a professor's daughter in New York. When she spots her husband's assassin, a fearful Jasmine moves to Iowa, unaware that a complex life awaits her there, too. Strong language, descriptions of sex, and some violence. 1989.

Lovelock: The Mayflower Trilogy, Book 1 RC 40313
by Orson Scott Card and Kathryn H. Kidd
read by J.P. Linton
2 cassettes
The starship *Ark* is outbound across the stars to establish new colonies. On board are planetologist Carol Jeanne Cocciolone, her husband, their two daughters, her in-laws, and her witness, Lovelock, a capuchin monkey who will mentally record all of Carol's actions. A moral fable about the way humans treat other living creatures. 1994.

Ambition and Love RC 40315
by Ward Just
read by Grant Albrecht
2 cassettes
Harry is an American mystery writer living in Paris. He encounters another expatriate, Georgia, who long ago dated Harry's late brother in Chicago. Georgia tells Harry about her work as an artist and describes how it has ruled her life and how it led her to Paris. Some strong language. 1994.

In the Time of the Butterflies RC 40316
by Julia Alvarez
read by Suzanne Toren
2 cassettes
Set in the Dominican Republic under the regime of dictator Rafael Trujillo. In 1960 three of the four Mirabal sisters were murdered for their part in the struggle for freedom. The author, a refugee herself, recreates the lives of Patria, the eldest; Dedé, the sole survivor; Minerva, wife of a revolutionary; and Maria Theresa, the diarist. Alvarez depicts the everyday lives of the women, martyred for their courage and beliefs. 1994.

Ann Vickers RC 40317
by Sinclair Lewis
read by Barbara Caruso
3 cassettes
Biographical novel about a liberated woman who uses her intelligence and ability to lead social reform movements, yet remains true to her own instincts. The Pulitzer Prize-winning author uses the feminist character of Ann Vickers to create an indictment of the American prison system and a satire on various movements and cults. 1933.

Love and Sleep RC 40318
by John Crowley
read by Ken Kliban
4 cassettes
Pierce Moffett delves deeper into Renaissance metaphysics in an attempt to come to grips with the modern world where he has always felt out of place. Memories of his childhood, coupled with his studies of Renaissance mystics, now seem to reach out of the past, intertwining with his present, and he perceives that he is on the threshold of a magical change in his life, and perhaps in the universe itself. Sequel to *Aegypt (RC 26602)*. 1994.

The Puritans: An American Family Portrait, Book 1 RC 40319
by Jack Cavanaugh
read by Gordon Gould
3 cassettes
One of the most important days of Drew Morgan's life is the day he meets Bishop Laud at Windsor Castle. Unfortunately, it is also the day his life begins its downward spiral. The bishop asks Drew to locate a Puritan known as Justin who is writing seditious pamphlets against the king. It is during Drew's search that he meets Mary Sedgewick, a woman he comes to love but will betray. Prequel to *The Colonists (RC 40320)*. 1994.

Over on the Lonesome Side RC 40323
by James A. Ritchie
read by Scott Laningham
1 cassette
When Jim Darnell receives a letter from his friend John Lysander, he sets off for Alamitos on his horse, Cap. Seems Jim's neighbor, rancher Colby Ryan, is getting greedy and trying to take over the smaller ranches for water rights. By the time Jim arrives, John has been seriously wounded by one of Ryan's gunmen. It's up to Jim to find a way to even the odds. Further incentive comes in the form of John's appealing neighbor. Strong language and violence. 1991.

Pulp RC 40326
by Charles Bukowski
read by Michael Stanton
1 cassette
A satire on detective novels. Nick Belane commands a fee of six dollars an hour at his Los Angeles location. Among his clients are Lady Death, annoyed by the evasiveness of one of her targets; John Barton, in search of the Red Sparrow; Jack Bass, convinced that his wife is unfaithful; and Hal Grovers, troubled by a space alien. Belane tries in vain to make sense of this sordid and absurd business. Strong language. 1994.

Is Kissing a Girl Who Smokes like Licking an Ashtray? RC 40328
by Randy Powell
read by Mo Lotman
1 cassette
Biff, eighteen, is obsessed with pinball and Tommie, the girl of his dreams. After nearly two years, though, he has

yet to talk to her (or any other girl) without freezing up. Then, along comes Heidi, a wisecracking, cigarette-smoking fifteen-year-old who is staying with relatives in his neighborhood while she's suspended from school. For junior and senior high readers. 1992.

In the Shadow of the Nile RC 40329
by Sara Hylton
read by Miranda Daniloff
3 cassettes
1920s. Laura Levison-Gore has finished her schooling and now, with her mother and sister, is headed to Cairo. There her mother hopes to see her become engaged to Edward Burlington. Then, on the voyage, Laura falls in love with Prince Ahmed Hassan Farag, who is returning from Oxford to marry the woman chosen for him. Laura and her prince decide to elope, but the prince dies, and Laura, now pregnant, is alone in a strange world. Some strong language. 1993.

The Lion of Justice RC 40330
by Jean Plaidy
read by Anne Hancock
2 cassettes
Set against King Henry I's rise to power and his reign from 1100 to 1135. The king of Scotland, Malcolm Canmore, has just died trying to dethrone the king of England, William the Conqueror's son Rufus. Malcolm's daughter Edith, whose ancestors reigned before William, is sent to her aunt's abbey. Meanwhile, Edith is wooed by Rufus's brother Henry. 1975.

Mantis RC 40340
by Richard La Plante
read by Gregory Gorton
2 cassettes
Philadelphia, 1990. Lt. William Fogarty and forensics pathologist Josef Tanaka form an uneasy alliance as they search for the killer of three women, apparently victims of a karate strike known as "nukite." Tanaka, who accidentally disabled his brother in a karate tournament, battles his own guilt as he pursues a killer whose moves mimic those of the praying mantis. Violence, strong language, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1992.

Children in the Night RC 40341
by Harold Myra
read by Robert Sams
2 cassettes
Yosha and Asel live in a world of darkness. They know there has been light, and they know that light can come, but in their subterranean world fear and superstition rule. When they grow up, they marry, join forces to fight the evil that pervades their land, and seek to reach the light. Finally they find a guide who shows that the way to the dawn is through the pit of sacrifice. Prequel to *The Shining Face (RC 40252)*. 1991.

Charisma RC 40342
by Jo Bannister
read by Grainne Cassidy
2 cassettes
As evangelist Michael Davey's tent is being set up in Castlemere, the stabbed body of sixteen-year-old prostitute Charisma is discovered in a nearby canal. Sergeant Cal Donovan is shocked to recognize a presumed-dead IRA terrorist among Davey's roadies. While

Donovan tries to determine any connection, an unlikely attraction begins growing between Inspector Liz Graham and the evangelist. And then another young girl dies. Strong language and violence. 1994.

One-Eyed Cowboy Wild RC 40347
by John D. Nesbitt
read by Clay Teunis
1 cassette
Gene Hill and his older brother, Zeke, are ranch hands on Redboot Ranch until Zeke gets in a fight with Charlie Bickford over a woman and leaves for Texas. When Zeke returns three years later, he and Charlie fall right back into scrapping. Then Charlie dies in a scuffle, and Gene must help Zeke conceal it. His guilty feelings affect Gene's life, even down to the woman he chooses. Strong language and some violence. 1994.

Lucky's Lady RC 40349
by Tami Hoag
read by Laura Giannarelli
2 cassettes
When psychologist Serena Sheridan visits her family's Louisiana plantation, her twin sister, Shelby, informs her that their grandfather has fled to a nearby island. Swallowing her fear of the swamp, Serena seeks an island guide. She finds surly Lucky Doucet, unaware that her sister has ruined his life. As tension between Serena and Lucky mounts, Serena learns the truth about her family. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1992.

A Brand New Life RC 40352
by Kathy Thurlow
read by Michele Schaeffer
2 cassettes
After her husband leaves her for a pregnant file clerk, Elizabeth March, the Wicked Witch of Wall Street, quits her analyst job and buys the Colorado cabin her grandfather built. A fainting spell sends her to Doctor Christian Hanford, who declares her pregnant. Chris falls in love with Elizabeth even though she is ten years older. But then Elizabeth's ex-husband implicates her in insider trading. Strong language and explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

Natalya, God's Messenger RC 40354
by Magda Bogin
read by Celeste Lawson
2 cassettes
A niece tells the story of Rita, who at twenty-seven during World War II faced the loss of her job as a machinist, purchased a palm-reading business, and became Natalya, God's Messenger. As the years progress, Rita finds that she actually can see the future in the palms of her clients—events such as the cold war, the civil rights movement, and the assassination of President Kennedy in Dallas. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1994.

Torsos RC 40356
by John Peyton Cooke
read by Gregory Gorton
2 cassettes
Fictionalized account of a serial killing spree in 1935 Cleveland. Eliot Ness heads the investigation, but detective Hank Lambert is deeply involved. Among the victims, whose heads and genitalia have been sliced off, is a man Hank recognizes from his secret life as a homosexual. As the corpses pile up, Hank falls in love with a young male prostitute, risking his job and his marriage. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1993.

Goodbye, Saigon RC 40357
by Nina Vida
read by Grainne Cassidy
2 cassettes
Thirty-five-year-old Vietnamese Anh supports her extended family in a California Little Saigon with the money she gets for providing luck to a gambling lawyer. When the lawyer disappears, Anh goes to his office. She finds his secretary Jana, who is as desperate for money as Anh, filling in for the lawyer, who is in a coma. Anh helps Jana continue her illegal law practice. Strong language, some violence, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

Scar Tissue RC 40363
by Michael Ignatieff
read by Gary Telles
2 cassettes
When a woman develops symptoms of Alzheimer's disease, her two sons, one a philosophy professor and the other a neurological researcher, struggle to comprehend their loss. The professor and storyteller recalls childhood memories as he observes the mother's decline. And he confronts his father's death, the disintegration of his marriage, problems with his brother, and a personal bout with depression, concluding that he cannot escape his mother's fate. 1994.

The Dividing Line RC 40365
by Richard Parrish
read by Robert Sams
3 cassettes
Having lost an arm in World War II and his wife in an accident, attorney Joshua Rabb is happy to leave Brooklyn when his doctor orders him to move to a dry climate. But 1946 Tucson does not impress Rabb's two children, and his job with the Bureau of Indian Affairs is unpleasant. A senator is trying to take away the Papago Indians' mineral rights, and someone is on a murdering spree. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1993.

Among the Volcanoes RC 40369
by Omar S. Castañeda
read by Ilona Dulaski
1 cassette
Isabel Pacay, the eldest daughter of a Mayan family in Guatemala, has a dream—to stay in school and become a teacher. While many of her friends are married with families, she feels too young to marry. When her mother becomes ill, Isabel's dreams are shattered as she quits school to care for her. The *sanjorin* has been unable to cure Mrs. Pacay, but her family fears consulting an American medical student. For junior and senior high readers. 1991.

This Dark Paradise RC 40370
by Wendy Haley
read by Robert Murch
2 cassettes
Alex Danilov returns to his Savannah home where his descendant Margaret lives with younger Danilovs. Elderly Margaret is the only one who knows that Alex is not the young man he appears to be, but an almost-thousand-year-old vampire. Alex faces family anger when he "inherits" the house from Margaret. He also has another enemy—one who has waited 400 years for revenge. Some strong language, some violence, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

Leopard RC 40373
by Richard La Plante
read by Gregory Gorton
2 cassettes
Medical examiner Josef Tanaka, with

his fiancée, Dr. Rachel Saunders, returns to Japan for the first time in fifteen years. His brother has been brutally killed, and Tanaka intends to learn why. He becomes involved in sumo wrestling and ritual tattooing, and he almost destroys his relationship with Rachel when she suspects his cousin, the Leopard. Sequel to *Mantis (RC 40340)*. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

The Tiger Orchard RC 40377
by Joyce Sweeney
read by John Polk
2 cassettes
Zack Lloyd is an outstanding senior. But when he begins having nightmares and seems to be losing all the confidence he used to have in himself, Zack starts seeing a therapist. Counseling sessions help Zack uncover long-suppressed memories of his father, who he learns is still alive. A new girlfriend and a trip to find his father help Zack put his life into perspective. Some strong language. For junior and senior high readers. 1993.

Final Edit RC 40384
by Robert A. Carter
read by James DeLotel
2 cassettes
Nicholas Barlow, CEO of a small publishing firm, is attending the American Booksellers Association convention. His excitement over the possibility of landing the current bestselling author is tempered by the arrogant demands of his editor, Parker Foxcroft, who "has the touch" but very few friends in the business. Barlow's decision on how to deal with Foxcroft is made for him when the editor is murdered. Strong language and some violence. 1994.

14 Peck Slip RC 40399
by Ed Dee
read by Ray Foushee
2 cassettes
NYPD partners Joe Gregory and Anthony Ryan are on surveillance hoping to spot Mafia goings-on at the fishmarket when they see three men dump a barrel into the river. Convinced it contains a body, Gregory calls for divers. But the first barrel they find contains the skeleton of a long-missing cop. Ecstatic over the once-in-a-lifetime case, Gregory digs deeper and deeper until he learns the sobering truth. Strong language and violence. 1994.

Kristin Lavransdatter: The Bridal Wreath, Volume 1 RC 40412
by Sigrid Undset
read by Catherine Byers
2 cassettes (Reissue)
In this first volume of a trilogy set in medieval Norway, the winner of the 1928 Nobel Prize for literature tells of Kristin's girlhood and her love for Erlend Nikulaussön, a young man of whom her father strongly disapproves. Prequel to *The Mistress of Husaby (RC 40413)*. 1923.

My Sweet Untraceable You RC 40415
by Sandra Scoppettone
read by Catherine Byers
2 cassettes
Lauren Laurano is a forty-five-year-old lesbian private investigator who lives in New York City with her longtime lover, Kip. Although a movie based on Lauren's life and starring Cybill Shepherd is being filmed in her neighborhood, Lauren's real-life career is in a slump. So when a dubious character called Boston Blackie asks Lauren to find his mother,

who supposedly died thirty-eight years earlier, Lauren accepts the case. Strong language. 1994.

The Devil's Own Work RC 40418
by Alan Judd
read by George Holmes
1 cassette
This tale is told by an English teacher who is envious of his friend Edward's ability to pursue his literary ambitions by writing reviews. After a particularly scathing review, Edward is summoned to the French Riviera by a famous novelist. During their meeting, Edward takes possession of an odd manuscript, after which his writing efforts become extremely successful. But Edward is obliged to pay a dreadful price for his wealth and fame. 1991.

Pictures of Perfection: A Dalziel/Pascoe Mystery in Five Volumes RC 40425
by Reginald Hill
read by George Holmes
2 cassettes
Detectives Andrew Dalziel and Peter Pascoe are called to the village of Enscombe to investigate the disappearance of a young constable. Beneath the calm exterior of village life, they find lust, lies, thievery, and feuds that go back for generations. It seems that the constable's disappearance may be the least of their concerns. Some strong language. 1994.

Temporary Agency RC 40429
by Rachel Pollack
read by Nona Pipes
2 cassettes
Ten years ago Ellen Pierson's cousin Paul fell in love with Lisa, a "temp" who worked in his office building. Normally that wouldn't be a problem, but Lisa was a Malignant One and she took control of Paul. Even attempts by Alison Birkett of the government's Spiritual Development Agency failed to save Paul. Now Alison has come to Ellen for help on another case. Some strong language. 1994.

Felicia's Journey RC 40430
by William Trevor
read by Graeme Malcolm
2 cassettes
When Felicia, a motherless Irish teenager, discovers that she is pregnant, her father scorns her. So she decides to look for her boyfriend, Johnny, who told her he works for a Birmingham factory but is actually in the British army. Felicia is helped by the understanding Mr. Hilditch, who has a habit of befriending girls whom no one will miss. 1994.

First Light: Of Saints and Sinners, Volume 1 RC 40431
by Harold Fickett
read by Patrick Horgan
2 cassettes
Abram White is only eleven years old in 1729 when he leaves his home in northern Ireland and heads for America. On his trip, he becomes indentured to Captain Jack Hawks and spends the next ten years sailing around the world. When Abram meets Sarah Nicolls of New York, he knows that they are meant for each other, but they must face many hardships before they learn how to love one another. 1993.

The Sacrifice of Tamar RC 40433
by Naomi Ragen
read by Suzanne Toren
3 cassettes
At twenty-one Tamar Finegold holds a respected position in her ultra-Orthodox community. Her husband, Josh, is a

rabbi and Talmudic scholar. But tragedy comes into Tamar's life when she is raped by a black man. Since it is mikvah night for Tamar, she also has relations with her husband the same night. When her son is born white, Tamar feels that all is well—until her grandchild is born. 1994.

The Mysterious West RC 40434
edited by Tony Hillerman
read by John Stratton
3 cassettes
One character in this anthology observes that where people live has an influence on how they live and "who and how they choose to kill." These twenty suspenseful short stories are set in the American West. Authors best known for westerns are mixed with those known for mysteries, including Marcia Muller, Bill Pronzini, Bill Crider, and Stuart Kaminsky. Some strong language and some violence. 1994.

God's Other Son RC 40441
by Don Imus
read by Ed Blake
2 cassettes
In this satire, evangelist Billy Sol Hargus claims to be the second son of God. He's a white American Baptist who insists his brother, Jesus, looked like him and they both favor their father. Upset that Jesus never got to tell his story, Billy begins taping his own. He discusses his attempts to walk on water and deny his sexual feelings and gives details about his mysterious disappearance. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1994.

For My Daughters RC 40446
by Barbara Delinsky
read by Barbara Caruso
2 cassettes
Attorney Caroline is irritated when her seventy-year-old mother writes that she has moved to Maine and wants Caroline to come settle her in. Her socialite mother never gave Caroline the attention she craved growing up. Now Caroline feels annoyed about helping her mother. Arriving in Maine, her anger increases. Her sisters have also been summoned, and their mother is nowhere to be found. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1994.

Down in the Zero RC 40447
by Andrew Vachss
read by Grant Albrecht
2 cassettes
Private investigator Burke is attempting to pull himself up from zero—the depths that lie beyond death. He has been there since his last case, when he killed a child instead of saving him. Now Burke has a chance at redemption by rescuing Randy Cambridge, who lives in a plush Connecticut neighborhood where the kids seem to be committing suicide. Randy thinks he is next on the list. Strong language, some violence, and some descriptions of sex. 1994.

Moving Targets RC 40448
by Sean Flannery
read by Nick Sullivan
3 cassettes
The end of the Cold War has not left spies with any spare time. When a presidential advisor is found to be having an affair with a KGB agent, the CIA suspects that he is being used in a plot

against the president reported by a defector. And a CIA agent and an assassin arrive in Washington, each poised to begin work on opposite sides of a complex operation. Violence, some explicit descriptions of sex, and some strong language. 1992.

I'll Be Leaving You Always RC 40452
by Sandra Scoppettone
read by Catherine Byers
2 cassettes
Fortyish Lauren Laurano is an FBI-agent-turned-private-detective who lives with her long-time female lover, Kip, in New York City. When Meg, Lauren's friend since childhood, is murdered in her jewelry shop, Lauren is determined to find the killer. A mutual friend had stopped a holdup in the store just hours before; did the thieves return? As Lauren talks to Meg's family and friends looking for clues, she realizes she didn't really know Meg. Strong language. 1993.

Remembrance RC 40453
by Jude Deveraux
read by Yvonne Fair Tessler
3 cassettes
Hayden Lane, a romance writer who does extensive research when writing a new novel, has never been able to sustain a serious relationship herself. Currently she is having trouble finishing her latest book because she can't get a character out of her mind. Hayden visits a psychic and learns that a curse in a past life is blocking her happiness with any man. Then one night she regresses into her past lives and everything changes. Some descriptions of sex. 1994.

Child of an Ancient City RC 40466
by Tad Williams and
Nina Kiriki Hoffman
read by James DeLotel
1 cassette
During a banquet, Masrur al-Adan is encouraged to tell a story. Since his old friend Ibn Fahad is there, he tells of a trip they took many years earlier. A caravan of treasures they were escorting was attacked, and they were forced to return home. On the way, they were attacked again, this time by the vampyr. Masrur tells how they escaped death through all-night storytelling. For junior and senior high readers. 1992.

A Lifetime of Heaven RC 40506
by Nan Ryan
read by Jill Ferris
3 cassettes
In 1883 Nick McCabe is rudely awakened at noon one day by the incessant ringing of a bell. When he locates the bell, he discovers Kay Montgomery, a Salvation Army member who is working outside his Golden Carousel Club in San Francisco. As saint and sinner clash, it is more than their beliefs that ignites the sparks between them. Some strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1993.

Vurt RC 40524
by Jeff Noon
read by Nick Sullivan
2 cassettes
If a computer-coded feather called a vurt is slipped into the mouth to tickle the throat, it will send a person into other worlds. Desdemona, Scribble's sister and sometime lover, has become trapped in the past after using a Curious Yellow vurt. Scribble, with the help of the Stash Riders, hopes to get his

hands on another Curious Yellow vurt to save Desdemona. But the cost will be great. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. 1993.

Bleak Spring RC 40525
by Jon Cleary
read by Graeme Malcolm
2 cassettes
This time out, Australian homicide inspector Scobie Malone of *Pride's Harvest (RC 35337)* is investigating the death of his daughter's friend's father. Solicitor Will Rockne (whom Malone disliked) was shot after spending the evening with Malone and his wife. Rockne's wife seemed unhappy with him, he had had a brief fling with his secretary, and there are five million unexplained dollars in his account. Strong language and violence. 1993.

Exposure RC 40531
by Evelyn Anthony
read by Patricia Kilgarriff
3 cassettes
Julia Hamilton made a name for herself with her investigative report of a child murder, and now Lord Western wants her for a new feature he has planned for his Sunday paper. To Julia, the chance to write "Exposure" is one she can't turn down. But when she is asked to get the dirt on Lord Western's rival, Harold King, she finds herself in mortal danger. Strong language, some violence, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

The Lost Book of Paradise: Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden RC 40536
by David Rosenberg
read by Gordon Gould
1 cassette
Rosenberg, a poet and biblical translator who was coauthor of *The Book of J (RC 32195)*, recreates a lost Hebrew epic about Adam and Eve's life together in the Garden of Eden. He imagines the narrative being compiled by Devorah Bat-David, a stepdaughter of King Solomon, who comments on the poetic text. 1993.

Women and Ghosts RC 40537
by Alison Lurie
read by Suzanne Toren
1 cassette
Nine short stories of the supernatural in which haunting is not always performed by traditional ghosts. A dieter mysteriously finds herself beset by monstrously obese people, a poet is followed by a double who finally precedes her to a reading, and a woman sees apparitions of her fiancé's former wife, who is still alive. Some strong language. 1994.

Anabasis: A Journey to the Interior RC 40538
by Ellen Gilchrist
read by Suzanne Toren
2 cassettes
Gilchrist, intrigued by tales of ancient Greece, made up stories about a young slave girl who rescued an abandoned baby. This tale is her childhood fantasy. Auria, a slave, has been taught by her master to read and write and to heal the sick. When he dies, Auria begins a journey of self-discovery, taking with her a baby who has been left to die, a dog, and a goat. Strong language. For high school and older readers. 1994.

Jennie RC 40541
by Douglas Preston
read by Robert Blumenfeld
2 cassettes
In 1965, while on an expedition in the Camaroons for the Boston Museum of Natural History, Hugo Archibald wit-

nesses a dying chimpanzee give birth. He takes the baby chimp, Jennie, to his home. Excerpts from Archibald's memoirs and interviews with family members and others who knew Jennie describe her human-like childhood and her learning sign language. But when she reaches puberty, the Archibalds must decide what to do about Jennie. Strong language. 1994.

Playland RC 40548
by John Gregory Dunne
read by Ed Blake
3 cassettes
Following a decade as Hollywood's top-dollar child movie star, Blue Tyler vanishes. Now, forty-five years later, she is living a decidedly unglamorous life in Detroit, where she is rediscovered by screenwriter Jack Broderick. Seeking an explanation for the intervening period, Jack finds puzzling answers, but he puts the pieces together to produce a screenplay about the legend. Violence, strong language, and descriptions of sex. 1994.

Once upon a More Enlightened Time: More Politically Correct Bedtime Stories RC 40614
by James Finn Garner
read by David Hartley-Margolin
1 cassette
In the sequel to *Politically Correct Bedtime Stories (RC 38598)*, Garner once more provides fairytales without biases. Hansel and Gretal become ecoheroes who turn their tree butcher father into a beaver. In "The Little Mer-Persun," the air breather sacrifices his peopleness and becomes half prawn to be with his mer-person underwater. Bestseller 1995.

Al Capsella Takes a Vacation RC 40648
by J. Clarke
read by Gary Telles
1 cassette
Sequel to *Al Capsella and the Watchdogs (RC 37551)*. Sixteen-year-old Al and his friend Lou don't want to take the usual holiday vacation with their families. Instead, they decide to go alone to Scutchthorpe, a town highly recommended by a friend. Arriving by bus, the boys are horrified to find themselves in the country, far from the promised beaches and party life. How will they ever live this down? For junior and senior high readers. 1992.

Working Men: Stories RC 40650
by Michael Dorris
read by Faith Potts
2 cassettes
Some of Dorris's working men, such as the pond-building protagonist of "The Benchmark," are long wedded to their jobs. Others experience spur-of-the-moment employment: a man's new wife encourages him to fake his way into a position teaching high-school French in "Oui" and rescues him just as his fraud is about to surface. A returned draft dodger marries an older divorcée and buys a gas station rather than take a parent-pleasing path. 1993.

Saying Goodbye RC 40654
by Marie G. Lee
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
In this sequel to *Finding My Voice (RC 37265)*, Ellen Sung is a freshman at Harvard. She learns to balance her desire to excel in her premed studies with her interest in writing, but racism creates a harder challenge. Will she betray her African American roommate by op-

posing an anti-Korean rap star? Some strong language. For junior and senior high and older readers. 1994.

Books for Children

Books listed in this issue of *Talking Book Topics* were recently sent to cooperating libraries. The complete collection contains books by many authors on fiction and nonfiction subjects, including animals, geography, nature, mystery, sports, and others. Contact your cooperating library to learn more about the wide range of books available in the collection.

In this listing, cassette books are labeled with the code RC and play at 15/16 ips. To order books, fill out the order form and send it to your cooperating library.

Cassettes Nonfiction

The Hundred Years' War RC 38842
by William W. Lace
read by Peter Johnson
1 cassette
Describes the long-running conflict between England and France. While the author follows the progression of the war, he also explores why it was started in the first place, who kept it going (from royalty to peasants), and how it affected not only the two enemy countries, but all of Europe. For grades 6-9. 1994.

The Roman Empire RC 38843
by Don Nardo
read by Frank Coffee
1 cassette
Begins with the transition from a democratic republic to a far-reaching empire. Presents Octavian's adoption of the title Imperator Augustus, and covers Rome under a series of both good and evil emperors, the introduction of Christianity, and the decline of one of the most colorful periods in history. For grades 6-9. 1994.

The Roman Republic RC 38844
by Don Nardo
read by Frank Coffee
1 cassette
Introduces the people, geography, culture (including mythology), and politics that influenced the founding of Rome about 509 B.C. The author traces the history of the republic's early attempts at democratic rule, the battles, the expansion of territory, and the republic's powerful leaders (such as Julius Caesar). Outlines the corruption and ruin that led to the birth of the Roman Empire. For grades 6-9. 1994.

Magellan and the Radar Mapping of Venus RC 39734
by Gregory Vogt
read by Butch Hoover
1 cassette
The author describes Venus, Earth's nearest neighbor after the Moon, and tells how an intimate knowledge of the planet was gained. In 1962 *Mariner 2*, the first successful interplanetary spacecraft, flew past Venus, inaugurating a succession of many voyages to study the veiled planet. In 1990 *Magellan* began a long-term study focused on helping

Earth in the future. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 1992.

Backyard Birds of Winter RC 40102
by Carol Lerner
read by Kerry Cundiff
1 cassette
Naturalist Lerner explains how birds survive the cold winter months in North America and southern parts of Canada, tells how to identify different birds, and offers information on what types of food they like and how to make feeders for them. She discusses such birds as chickadees, cardinals, blackbirds, wrens, doves, sparrows, and finches. For grades 3-6 and older readers. 1994.

Behind the Secret Window: A Memoir of a Hidden Childhood during World War Two RC 40105
by Nelly S. Toll
read by Terry Hayes Sales
1 cassette
The author's Jewish family had to run from the Nazis. After Nelly's father disappeared and her little brother was taken away, her mother found a Christian family to take in the two survivors. Sad, lonely, and frightened, eight-year-old Nelly kept a notebook. In it she painted watercolors and wrote about her experiences and about childhood as she imagined it should be. For grades 6-9. 1993.

Galileo and the Universe RC 40117
by Steve Parker
read by Butch Hoover
1 cassette
Introduction to Galileo, an Italian of the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries who used his knowledge of astronomy, mathematics, and physics to question ideas that scientists had believed for hundreds of years. For Galileo, this was a dangerous thing to do. But he made some important and exciting discoveries that made him famous and that scientists still support today. For grades 3-6. 1992.

Harriet Beecher Stowe and the Beecher Preachers RC 40123
by Jean Fritz
read by Madelyn Buzzard
1 cassette
Biography of the author whose nineteenth-century novel, *Uncle Tom's Cabin (RC 9480)*, voiced her intense opposition to slavery. As a girl Harriet Beecher was a disappointment to her father, who preferred boys because they could grow up to become preachers. The author asserts that Stowe found other ways to speak her mind and turned out "the best preacher of them all." For grades 5-8. 1994.

No Place to Be: Voices of Homeless Children RC 40125
by Judith Berck
read by Madelyn Buzzard
1 cassette
The author calls the effects of homelessness on children "a nightmare that leaves permanent scars." And in these interviews with more than thirty children from homeless families in New York City, the devastation to health, education, and self-esteem is vividly portrayed. But the fortitude to endure the nightmare and maintain hopes and dreams for the future is also revealed. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 1992.

Voices from the Fields: Children of Migrant Farmworkers Tell Their Stories RC 40235
by S. Beth Atkin
read by Lucinda Hart Gonzalez
1 cassette
Nine children of migrant Mexican

American farmworkers tell of their lives and future dreams. These young people speak poignantly of poverty, gangs, and teenage parenthood; and of their hope and belief that education will provide a better life. Interspersed among the interviews are poems in English and Spanish. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 1993.

The Family Treasury of Jewish Holidays RC 40298
by Malka Drucker
read by Suzanne Toren
1 cassette
Arranged by the Jewish calendar, this collection of stories, poems, songs, crafts, and games discusses each of the religious holidays beginning with Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. Included are Sukkot, Simhat Torah, Hanukkah, Tu B'Sh'vat, Purim, Pesah, Shavuot, Yom HaShoah, Yom Ha'atzmaut, and finally the Sabbath. The history and rituals of the observance are discussed at the beginning of each section. For grades 4-7 and older readers. 1994.

It Happened in America: True Stories from the Fifty States RC 40314
by Lila Perl
read by Ralph Lowenstein
2 cassettes
Beginning with the Alabama bus boycott sparked by Rosa Parks and continuing state-by-state in alphabetical order, the author presents a selection of fifty true accounts from American history. A history that she describes as "crammed with tales of quiet courage and dashing bravado, feats of accomplishment, and magnificent failures." For grades 5-8 and older readers. 1992.

Crazy Horse RC 40367
by Judith St. George
read by Marcia Churchill
1 cassette
Portrait of the Sioux warrior Crazy Horse. As a boy his name was Curly, and he watched as pioneers crossed Sioux land heading west. When he was old enough, Curly earned the name Crazy Horse. Then he painted a lightning streak down his face and spots on his body and joined his people on horseback in a fight to preserve their own way of life before it was destroyed by white settlers. For grades 5-8. 1994.

Snow Is Falling: Revised Edition RC 40379
by Franklyn M. Branley
read by Butch Hoover
1 cassette
A simple description of the beauty, dangers, and usefulness of snow, including an experiment that proves snow retains warmth. PRINT/BRAILLE. For grades K-3. 1986.

Splish Splash RC 40498
by Joan Bransfield Graham
read by Madelyn Buzzard
1 cassette
Collection of poems about the many forms that water can become. It can be a babbling brook, a waterfall, a clicking clattering ice cube, the steam from a boiling bubbling pot, or the rain that washes the world clean. For preschool-grade 2. 1994.

Cassettes Fiction

Eagle's Wings: Golden Filly, Book 2
RC 38830
by Lauraine Snelling
read by Robin Miles
1 cassette
Trish Evanston and Spitfire won the race at Portland Meadows and now several other owners have asked her to act as their jockey. Trish is overjoyed because the money will definitely be a help with her father in the hospital again. The family has other concerns, but Trish is convinced that God answered her prayers by giving her this chance. Sequel to *The Race (RC 38829)*. For grades 6-9. 1991.

Go for the Glory: Golden Filly, Book 3
RC 38831
by Lauraine Snelling
read by Robin Miles
1 cassette
Trish Evanston, sixteen, feels on top of the world. She wins most of her races at Oregon's Portland Meadows, and her father is responding well to his treatment for cancer. In fact her father, Hal, wants to enter her and their horses in the Santa Anita Derby and the Kentucky Derby. But then Trish has an accident, and she may miss the biggest chance of her life. Sequel to *Eagle's Wings (RC 38830)*. For grades 6-9. 1991.

Skylark RC 39050
by Patricia MacLachlan
read by Barbara Rappaport
1 cassette
In this sequel to *Sarah, Plain and Tall (RC 23524)*, mail-order bride Sarah goes back east with children Anna and Caleb, leaving husband Jacob, whose name is "written in the land," to deal with their drought-stricken farm. The children are impressed with Sarah's home in Maine, but they miss their father and fear that they will never return to their beloved prairie. For grades 3-6. 1994.

Arrow's Flight: The Heralds of Valdemar, Volume 2 RC 39678
by Mercedes Lackey
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
Now that she is a full herald, Talia's responsibilities include traveling throughout Valdemar on her companion to see that laws enacted by the monarch are obeyed by all subjects. The herald who patrols the northern border sectors has been injured, so Talia is assigned to patrol there as part of her internship. Talia soon realizes she must use her skills wisely. Sequel to *Arrows of the Queen (RC 32573)*. For grades 6-9. 1987.

Boys against Girls RC 39680
by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor
read by John Polk
1 cassette
In this sequel to *The Girls Get Even (RC 39670)*, the Hatford brothers think of a new way to bother their annoying neighbors, the Malloy sisters. The girls have not yet heard about the large catlike animal thought to lurk around Buckman. Since nobody has clearly seen it, townspeople just refer to it as the abaguchie. The Hatfords come up with some scary ways of introducing the girls to the town legend. For grades 3-6. 1994.

Magical Tales from Many Lands RC 39707
retold by Margaret Mayo
read by Carole Jordan Stewart
1 cassette
A collection of fourteen folktales from around the world, each representing a different culture. Includes "The Kingdom under the Sea," a favorite story in Japan; "The Lemon Princess," a popular story in many countries including Spain, Turkey, and Iran; "Kate Crackernuts," a Scottish tale; and "The Halloween Witches," an African American folktale. For grades 3-6 and older readers. 1993.

Arrow's Fall: The Heralds of Valdemar, Volume 3 RC 39710
by Mercedes Lackey
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
Elspeth, heir to the throne, has reached marriage age, and she and Talia, along with the queen, are considering various eligible men. Talia is sent to Prince Ancar's court to investigate his eligibility. But when she arrives, she makes a startling discovery. Sequel to *Arrow's Flight (RC 39678)*. Violence. For grades 6-9. 1988.

Mountain Jack Tales RC 40081
retold by Gail E. Haley
read by Terry Hayes Sales
1 cassette
A collection of tales about the North Carolina Appalachian folk hero, Jack. Included are "Jack and the Northwest Wind," "Jack and Uncle Thimblewit," and "Jack and Old Raggedy Bones." For grades 4-7 and older readers. 1992.

More Short and Shivery: Thirty Terrifying Tales RC 40088
retold by Robert D. San Souci
read by David Palmer
1 cassette
In this sequel to *Short and Shivery (RC 30728)*, the author has once more collected scary stories from around the world. In "Knock . . . Knock . . . Knock," Nicole is on a date with her boyfriend, Mark, when his car breaks down and he has to go for help. Because a convicted killer has just escaped the asylum, Mark warns Nicole not to open the car door unless he knocks three times. For grades 5-8. 1994.

The Winning Stroke RC 40092
by Matt Christopher
read by Jack Fox
1 cassette
After breaking his leg in a sandlot game, Jerry Grayson, twelve, is devastated to learn he faces months of therapy and will miss the season for baseball, his favorite sport. Jerry's therapist is a swimming coach, and Jerry begins working out with the team. A natural athlete and competitive, Jerry, who at first does not believe swimming to be as much fun as baseball, grows to love the sport and to become a winner. For grades 4-7. 1994.

A Brush with Magic: Based on a Traditional Chinese Story RC 40116
by William J. Brooke
read by Jack Fox
1 cassette
Old Li raises a baby boy he finds floating in a basket on the river. The boy, Liang, is clutching a paintbrush. Li considers Liang's painting a waste, and fails to see that his pictures come to life. Liang paints himself out of difficult

predicaments and is used by a greedy emperor. But when danger threatens all he loves and he has no brush to rely on, Liang find that the true magic is his own creativity. For grades 4-7. 1993.

Tower to Heaven RC 40119
retold by Ruby Dee
read by Carole Jordan Stewart
1 cassette
An African village is watched over by the great god of the sky, Onyankopon. An old woman named Yaa talks to the god for the rest of the village. Every day she talks to him all day long while she works. Onyankopon grows angry because Yaa hits him with her pestle when she grinds grain. Now the god is threatening to leave the village and go way up in the sky to get away from Yaa. For grades K-3. 1991.

Billy RC 40126
by Laura Roybal
read by Ray Foushee
1 cassette
When Will Campbell is kidnapped by his biological father, a rodeo rider, all the ten-year-old can think about is returning to his Iowa suburb. But six rugged years with Guillermo Melendez in rural New Mexico have given Will a solid sense of himself as Billy Melendez. He is anguished when his true identity is discovered and he is sent back to the family who "didn't care enough to come find him." For grades 6-9 and older readers. 1994.

Sarah, Also Known as Hannah RC 40128
by Lillian Hammer Ross
read by Kerry Cundiff
1 cassette
When Mr. Kamornick dies, his widow, struggling to care for four children, asks her brother for help. He offers to provide passage to America for one of the daughters, preferably the eldest, sixteen-year-old Hannah. Hannah receives her passport and prepares to leave when, at the last moment, her mother decides to send Sarah, twelve, in her place. Based on a real journey from Ukraine to Ellis Island in 1910. For grades 3-6. 1994.

Play Ball, Amelia Bedelia RC 40197
by Peggy Parish
read by Catherine Byers
1 cassette (Reissue)
Amelia Bedelia is a housekeeper who takes everything she is told literally. One day when the neighborhood baseball team needs a replacement player for a game, Amelia volunteers. But when they tell her to steal bases, tag players, and run home, she gets confused. For grades K-3. 1972.

If It Hadn't Been for Yoon Jun RC 40248
by Marie G. Lee
read by Grainne Cassidy
1 cassette
Seventh-grader Alice Larsen is indifferent to her Korean ancestry. Adopted as a baby by a Minnesota family, she is a happy, popular cheerleader. When Yoon Jun Lee, a Korean immigrant new to the United States, begins attending Bainer Junior High, Alice thinks he's weird. Then he becomes her partner for International Day, and together they prepare a report on Korea, piquing Alice's interest in her heritage and in friendship with Yoon Jun. For grades 4-7. 1993.

Be Careful What You Wish For . . .
RC 40249
by R.L. Stine
read by Ilona Dulaski
1 cassette
Although Samantha Byrd is the tallest person in her class, she's not very good at basketball. In fact, short Judith Bellwood is the star of the team. Judith is constantly making fun of Sam, who is getting more and more upset. When Sam helps an odd woman one afternoon, the woman offers to pay her back by granting three wishes. Still angry with Judith, Sam makes some wishes she soon regrets. For grades 3-6. 1993.

Silent Witness RC 40295
by Patricia H. Rushford
read by Nona Pipes
1 cassette
In the sequel to *Too Many Secrets (RC 40294)*, Jennie McGrady and her grandmother, a police officer turned writer, are on their way to Florida. Intrigued by a girl in a wheelchair at the airport, Jennie is excited to encounter her again as she helps Gram research an article on dolphins. The girl, Sarah, is undergoing dolphin therapy after the trauma of witnessing her father's murder. And Jennie has found another mystery to solve. For grades 6-9. 1993.

Cezanne Pinto: A Memoir RC 40297
by Mary Stolz
read by John Stratton
1 cassette
In 1940 Cezanne Pinto has become a well-spoken free black man who teaches others. Nearing the end of his life, he looks back to the time he was an unschooled slave who escaped from the Virginia plantation where he was born. He describes his trip to Canada via the Underground Railroad, his years as a western cowboy, his search for his mother, and his present life in Chicago. For grades 5-8. 1994.

Lydia, Queen of Palestine RC 40334
by Uri Orlev
read by Miranda Daniloff
1 cassette
Lydia, a Jewish girl born in Romania, escaped to Palestine during World War II and lives in a kibbutz. On summer vacations, Lydia runs around with two boys who teach her to do wild things. One of their favorite games is a method for dealing with "official enemies." These experiences help Lydia to develop her independence and to use her imagination to create a fantasy life that she finds better than the real world. For grades 4-7. 1991.

Time and the Clockmice, Etcetera
RC 40350
by Peter Dickinson
read by Gregory Gorton
1 cassette
The Branton Town Hall Clock has been running for one hundred years and is known as a "Wonder of the World." Hundreds of people come to see the clock every year, but one day it stops, and the only person who has the plans to fix it is the grandson of the builder. When he begins work, he discovers several families of mice living in the clock. These are not your ordinary mice, though. They are intelligent and communicate through telepathy. For grades 3-6. 1993.

The Pirates' Mixed-up Voyage: Dark Doings in the Thousand Islands
RC 40361
by Margaret Mahy
read by Kimberly Schraf
1 cassette
Captain Lionel Wafer runs a tea shop for his uncle on a ship docked in Hookywalker. But one evening as he and members of the crew are relaxing, Captain Wafer decides to become a pirate and go in search of the wealthy inventor Humbert Cash-Cash, who lives on Island Six Hundred and Sixty-six in the Thousand Islands. The crew of the *Sinful Sausage* soon find themselves in troubled waters. For grades 4-7. 1983.

McMummy RC 40362
by Betsy Byars
read by Kimberly Schraf
1 cassette
When his best friend, Batty, is grounded, Mozie has to water Professor Orloff's plants in the greenhouse by himself, a task he has undertaken while the professor is at a World Hunger conference and one that he is reluctant to do alone. On one of the plants Mozie discovers a mummy pod that emits a sound and might have otherworldly qualities going back to the time of the pharaohs. For grades 3-6. 1993.

Save Halloween! RC 40364
by Stephanie S. Tolan
read by Kimberly Schraf
1 cassette
Johnna, a sixth-grader, is helping write a script for the class Halloween pageant. Knowing that her family does not approve of celebrating a holiday associated with the devil, especially after her uncle preaches about it at the tent meeting, Johnna thinks through her ideas about what is right and what is wrong. Prayer and reflection lead Johnna to a decision about her values. For grades 4-7. 1993.

Mayfield Crossing RC 40368
by Vaunda Micheaux Nelson
read by Marcia Churchill
1 cassette
When their school closes in 1960, fourth-grader Meg and her friends from Mayfield are excited about going to the newer Parkview school. But the Parkview students don't welcome the newcomers and don't want them to join in their baseball games. Especially shunned as the only African American in her class, Meg slowly changes her opinion about someone she always avoided because he was different. For grades 4-7. 1993.

Daddy's Climbing Tree RC 40371
by C.S. Adler
read by Ilona Dulaski
1 cassette
Eleven-year-old Jessica is unhappy when her mother insists they leave the old house Jessica's father grew up in. A week after they move into their new house, Jessica's father is hit by a car while jogging. Refusing to believe he is dead, Jessica promises her little brother, Tycho, that she will take him to their father. After the funeral, the two children set off for the long walk to their old house. For grades 4-7. 1993.

Heart of a Champion RC 40378
by Carl Deuker
read by Bruce Huntey
1 cassette
Twelve-year-old Seth has been something of a loner since his father died. But one day he meets Jimmy at the playground practicing baseball with his

father, and the two boys become good friends. Then Jimmy's parents divorce and Jimmy develops a drinking problem, gets kicked off the team, and has a tragic accident. For Seth this means another loss, but in time he realizes that he has learned some things that will stay with him forever. For grades 6-9. 1993.

Only Opal: The Diary of a Young Girl RC 40385
by Opal Whiteley
read by Madelyn Buzzard
1 cassette
Opal's mother and father have gone to heaven to become angels, and Opal now lives with another family in an Oregon logging camp. The woman she lives with thinks Opal is a nuisance, but Opal does her best to be good and do her chores. Opal finds refuge in the woods where she visits with her friends—Felix Mendelssohn, a mouse, and Michael Raphael, a big tree with an understanding soul. For grades K-3. 1994.

Amber Brown Is Not a Crayon RC 40386
by Paula Danziger
read by Madelyn Buzzard
1 cassette
The life of Amber Brown, the third-grade narrator, is changing, and she is not at all happy about it. Her best friend, Justin, is moving to another state. Since preschool they have been a great team—he helps her with fractions; she eats the cream center out of Oreos and passes the cookie part to him. Though she tries to keep a stiff upper lip, Amber gets angry when Justin throws out the chewing-gum ball they have accumulated. For grades 2-4. 1994.

Littlejim's Gift: An Appalachian Christmas Story RC 40391
by Gloria Houston
read by Andy Chappell
1 cassette
Littlejim is almost eleven. He works hard helping his mother and father, and more than anything he wants his father to think of him as a man. Littlejim has been saving his dimes and hopes to buy a tool set he saw in the window of Mr. Burleson's store. But when his sister Nell falls in love with a doll in the window, Littlejim has some hard decisions to make. A companion book to *Littlejim (RC 36614)*. For grades 2-4. 1994.

California Blue RC 40392
by David Klass
read by Barry Bernson
1 cassette
Seventeen-year-old John is fond of track and butterflies, but his family does not understand his interests. John has been sad since he found out that his father has cancer, but he gets excited when he finds a beautiful new butterfly. The problem is that he discovers it on land belonging to a redwood mill where his father works. If environmentalists decide to protect the species, the mill will close and his father will be unemployed. For grades 6-9. 1994.

Bill RC 40393
by Chap Reaver
read by Carole Jordan Stewart
1 cassette
Bill is a mutt. Still, he is the best dog in the world, according to thirteen-year-old Jess Gates, especially when she is left all alone on a poor Kentucky farm. Jess's mother died when she was born, and her bootlegger father disappears quite often. But when Wrong Man, as

Officer Dudley is called, arrests her father, Jess finds herself in real danger. Then, as Jess struggles to survive, Bill proves he can be almost human. For grades 5-8. 1994.

Shape-Changer RC 40395
by Bill Brittain
read by Jack Fox
1 cassette
Life in Rolling Acres Estates is pretty dull for Frank Dunn until the day he finds himself conversing with a fire hydrant. The hydrant explains that it is really Zymel, a policeman of the Shilad, an alien shape-changer race. Having crash landed on Earth and lost Fek, the dangerous prisoner he was escorting, Zymel needs Frank's help. Their urgent mission is to find Fek before he spreads more evil throughout the universe. For grades 4-7. 1994.

The Pool Party RC 40403
by Gary Soto
read by Bruce Huntey
1 cassette
When Rudy Herrera is invited to a pool party by a wealthy classmate, he worries about what it will be like and about an appropriate gift for the hostess. His relatives offer plenty of advice on how to act and make small talk, and his father stresses that he be proud of his Mexican American heritage and family no matter what. For grades 4-7. 1993.

Time of Wonder RC 40409
by Robert McCloskey
read by Janis Gray
1 cassette (Reissue)
The author describes the enchanting beauty of a Maine island in rain, fog, sunshine, and hurricane. For grades K-3. Caldecott Medal 1958. 1957.

The African Mask RC 40416
by Janet E. Rupert
read by Robin Miles
1 cassette
Layo, twelve, loves to work with clay and hopes she will be allowed to learn pottery making, for which the women of her village are famous. To do that, she must marry into a pottery-making family, for in Ife, where Layo lives, the wife takes on the work of her husband's family. But when she goes to her grandmother to learn the craft, Layo finds out that her future husband's family are not potters. For grades 5-8. 1994.

Lucy Forever, Miss Rosetree, and the Stolen Baby RC 40417
by Susan Richards Shreve
read by Suzanne Toren
1 cassette
In the sequel to *Lucy Forever and Miss Rosetree, Shrinks (RC 28587)*, sixth-graders Lucy Childs and Rosie Treeman (still pretending to be psychiatrists) now have 468 imagined patients. Jealous of Rosie's many brothers and sisters, Lucy is thrilled when her parents decide to adopt an abandoned baby. But while they wait for the adoption to become final, someone kidnaps the baby. For grades 4-7. 1994.

Stolen Bones RC 40427
by Joan Carris
read by Michael Pinney
1 cassette
Eleven-year-old Alec Wright and his mother, an archaeologist, are in Montana to help Alec's grandfather on a dig for dinosaur bones. Alec doesn't want to be there because he knows his grandfather doesn't like him. But when some of the bones begin to disappear, Alec and Rina, the only other kid in the area,

decide to find out who is taking them. Along the way, Alec makes some surprising discoveries. For grades 4-7. 1993.

Jaguarundi RC 40437
by Virginia Hamilton
read by John Horton
1 cassette
Rundi Jaguarundi is worried because the nice cool rain forest is slowly disappearing. Settlers have come to the land and cut down trees to build houses and barns. So Rundi decides to move north to the Rio Bravo where there is still a rain forest. He convinces Coati to go along with him, but most of the other animals stay because they know they must learn to adapt to the coming of humans into their forest. For grades 2-4. 1995.

Spooky Stories for a Dark and Stormy Night RC 40444
compiled by Alice Low
read by Nick Sullivan
1 cassette
Nineteen short and scary stories about deserted old houses, howling ghosts, and powerful witches. These tales come from places such as Africa, Russia, and Norway. They include "Bedtime Snacks," about a monster's attempts to eat a little boy; "The Legend of Sleepy Hollow," about a headless horseman; and "The Witch Who Was Afraid of Witches," about a little witch who finds her magic powers. For grades 3-6. 1994.

Backyard Dragon RC 40445
by Betsy and Samuel Sterman
read by David Hilder
1 cassette
When Owen discovers a dragon in his backyard, nobody believes him. His parents tell him he needs to concentrate on the real world. Meanwhile, Grandpa is still grieving over Grandma's death, and Owen's schoolmates already think he's weird. So Owen befriends the dragon, Wyrdryn, who was banished to New Jersey by a wizard. As they concoct a plan to get Wyrdryn back to his Welsh home, help comes from unexpected places. For grades 3-6. 1993.

The Tenth Good Thing about Barney RC 40467
by Judith Viorst
read by Bruce Huntey
1 cassette
A small boy quickly remembers nine good things about Barney, his cat who died. His father helps him think of the tenth good thing about Barney, which they agree is "a pretty nice job for a cat." For grades K-3. 1971.

Little Toot RC 40469
by Hardie Gramatky
read by Andy Chappell
1 cassette (Reissue)
Although Little Toot comes from a famous family of hard-working tugboats, he himself hates work and is scared of the ocean. One day Little Toot happens into an ocean storm with a stranded ocean liner and surprises everyone. For grades K-3. 1939.

The Christmas Tree Ship RC 40471
by Jeanette Winter
read by Andy Chappell
1 cassette
Every year when winter came, Captain Herman cut down spruce trees and turned his fishing schooner into a Christmas tree ship. Then he would sail down Lake Michigan and sell the trees in Chicago. But one year, there is a blizzard when it's time for the captain and

his crew to deliver the trees. For preschool-grade 2. 1994.

Gather Up, Gather In: A Book of Seasons RC 40477
by M.C. Helldorfer
read by Kerry Cundiff
1 cassette
Autumn is a time to gather in the harvest, the children for school, and the wood for the fires. Winter slips in and hides secrets beneath the snow, and autumn's harvest is used up. Then spring spills down the mountainside bringing wind and rain and flowers, and children pop out of too-small clothes. But summer is round with trees, ponds, and Ferris wheels, till autumn twirls back in, and summer swirls away. For preschool-grade 2. 1994.

Jess Was the Brave One RC 40490
by Jean Little
read by Madelyn Buzzard
1 cassette
Claire and Jess are sisters, but Claire is unhappy because she is not as brave as her little sister. Claire is afraid of heights and dogs and scary movies and the doctor. Then one day she proves she can be brave when some boys try to steal Jess's teddy bear, Pink Ted. For grades K-3. 1991.

Still More Stories to Solve: Fourteen Folktales from around the World RC 40523
by George Shannon
read by Nick Sullivan
1 cassette
As in *Stories to Solve (RC 25059)*, each of these brief folktales engages the reader in solving a mystery or a riddle, then presents the explanation before the tale ends. For grades 3-6. 1994.

The Exiles at Home RC 40530
by Hilary McKay
read by Patricia Kilgarriff
1 cassette
The Conroy sisters—Ruth, thirteen; Naomi, twelve; Rachel, eight; and Phoebe, six—are back in Lincolnshire following their summer with Big Grandma. For Christmas, each girl is given ten pounds, and Ruth decides to use her money to sponsor an African child for a year. But Ruth has a big problem because sponsorship costs ten pounds per month. Sequel to *The Exiles (RC 38569)*. For grades 4-7. 1993.

Saturday at The New You RC 40544
by Barbara E. Barber
read by Robin Miles
1 cassette
Shauna is an African American girl who loves to help her mother run The New You beauty parlor on Saturdays. Sometimes Shauna helps to get the coffee ready for the first customers, hands out magazines to the women under the dryer, and restyles her dolls' hair. She always wishes her mother would let her help more. One day she gets her chance. For preschool-grade 2. 1994.

Night of the Living Dummy II RC 40647
by R.L. Stine
read by Ilona Dulaski
1 cassette
When Amy brings her ventriloquist dummy out to entertain her family on Sharing Night, its head falls off. Amy's father finds another dummy in a pawn shop. But Amy soon realizes why the new dummy is called Slappy when it hits her father! As Slappy gets meaner and meaner, Amy's family refuses to believe

she is not responsible. For grades 4-7. 1995.

It Came from beneath the Sink
RC 40649
by R.L. Stine
read by Ilona Dulaski
1 cassette
When Kat's family moves into their new house, she finds an odd sponge under the sink. It's small, round, warm, and pulsing, and it has eyes! Bad things start to happen, and Kat notices the sponge seems more and more excited. At school she reads about the sponge in a book. It's a mythical creature called a Grool that thrives on others' bad luck. And once you have a Grool you can't give it away or kill it with violence. For grades 3-6. 1995.

Monster Blood II RC 40651
by R.L. Stine
read by Ilona Dulaski
1 cassette
After what happened in *Monster Blood (RC 38059)*, Evan Ross goes to a new school where no one believes his tales about the monstrous glop that makes things grow and grow. Then his friend Andy comes to stay, and she brings some Monster Blood with her. Horrified, Evan makes her bury it. But someone finds it and the nightmare begins again. For grades 3-6. 1994.

The Barking Ghost RC 40653
by R.L. Stine
read by Terence Aselford
1 cassette
Cooper Holmes, twelve, scares quite easily. So when he hears noises coming from the woods the first night his family spends at their new home in Maine, Cooper tries to remain calm, and he soon finds his older brother, Mickey, hiding under his bed. But the next day, Cooper does discover something in the woods—and it doesn't seem at all friendly. For grades 4-7. 1995.

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por Virginia Sendel
leído por Maria Pino
2 cassettes
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In Brief

Health Information Cassette

The Agency for Health Care Policy Research has produced an audio cassette to help consumers make informed decisions about surgery and pain control after surgery. The audiotape contains two agency booklets, *Be Informed: Questions to Ask Your Doctor before You Have Surgery* (Side one) and *Pain Control after Surgery: A Patient's Guide* (Side two). Free single copies are available by mail from AHCPR Publications Clearinghouse, P.O. Box 8547, Silver Spring, MD 20907 or by calling 800-358-9295. Copies are also available from your cooperating network library.

Annual Catalog Survey

Patrons will soon be able to select and order NLS catalogs and bibliographies that will be issued in 1997. A large-print order form will be mailed to patrons who subscribe to *TBT* early this fall. The form will give patrons the opportunity to order upcoming publications, such as *Cassette Books 1996* and *Braille Books 1995–1996*. Catalogs and bibliographies ordered will be sent directly to patrons when the publications are produced.

NLS Recorded Publications Available

NLS has recently produced two of its publications in audio format. *Magazines in Special Media 1995* is now available on flexible disc and cassette. Part 1 lists NLS-produced magazines, and Part 2 lists magazines available from other

sources. Ordering information is also given.

For Younger Readers 1994–1995 is available on flexible disc. The catalog lists recorded children's books added to the NLS collection during the past two years.

Readers who ordered the publications on their annual order forms will automatically receive them in the mail. Others may request the publications from their local cooperating libraries. The catalog and directory are also available through the Internet by accessing LC MARVEL.

Books for Adults

Books listed in this issue of *Talking Book Topics* were recently sent to cooperating libraries. The complete collection contains books by many authors on fiction and nonfiction subjects, including biographies, classics, gothics, mysteries, romances, and others. Contact your cooperating library to learn more about the wide range of books available in the collection.

In this listing, cassette books, labeled with the code RC, play at 15/16 ips. Cassette titles marked with a dagger (†) were produced earlier on flexible discs. To order books, fill out the order form and send it to your cooperating library.

Note: For the information of the reader, a notice may appear immediately following the book description to indicate occurrences of strong language, explicit descriptions of sex, or violence. The words "some" before any of these terms indicates an occasional or infrequent occurrence, as in "some strong language."

Cassettes Nonfiction

I'd Love to but I Have a Game: 27 Years without a Life RC 38918
by Marv Albert and Rick Reilly
read by Phil Regensdorf
2 cassettes
Marv Albert, who always knew he wanted to be a sportscaster, had by the age of twenty-four realized his major goal: announcing on radio for both the Knicks and the Rangers. His description of highlights of his decades-long career in radio and television is infused with his trademark humor and with joking remarks from such funny men as David Letterman and Jerry Seinfeld. 1993.

Never Alone: A Personal Way to God RC 38921
by Joseph F. Girzone
read by Phil Regensdorf
1 cassette
Retired Catholic priest and author of the Joshua series, Girzone stresses his conviction of understanding and emulating how Jesus lived and what he believed. He portrays Jesus as a happy person, free from the grip of material things, unhealthy attachments to people, obsessive hang-ups, or neurotic needs. To cultivate a relationship with Jesus, Girzone prescribes a "detached kind of prayer" rather than a demand for immediate response. 1994.

The Theft of the Spirit: A Journey to Spiritual Healing with Native Americans RC 38955
by Carl A. Hammerschlag
read by Phil Regensdorf
1 cassette
A psychiatrist draws on his experiences with the Indian Health Service for this account of lessons he has learned from native healers. Dr. Hammerschlag respects the culture that places emphasis on treating the patient as well as the disease and that believes that the spirit is as important as the mind and the body. 1993.

I Can't Walk, so I'll Learn to Dance RC 38962
by Carolyn Martin and Gregg Lewis
read by Ellen Frost
2 cassettes
Carolyn Martin describes growing up with cerebral palsy. Her schooling experiences ranged from wonderful (the Crippled Children's School in North Dakota) to frustrating (various special-needs classes). Her dream of being edu-

cated, free, dignified, and a writer faltered occasionally but never expired. "An inch at a time," Carolyn completed college and learned to live independently. 1994.

Storm Warning RC 38963
by Billy Graham
read by Jeff Halberstadt
2 cassettes
An evangelist warns that the biblical signs of the coming Apocalypse are close at hand and recites a litany of social problems that are causes for alarm. But he also finds hope in the world, particularly in light of unfolding events in Russia. Graham challenges Christians to make a stronger commitment to their faith in preparation for the fight against evil in the world. 1992.

Sometimes We Dance Alone: Your Next Years Can Be Your *Best* Years! RC 38967
by Edith McCall
read by Anne Mullen
1 cassette
Believing that life is a gift of endless possibilities, eighty-something writer McCall urges others not to drop out of the dance of life just because they live alone in their later years. Using her own life as an example, McCall describes the adventures she has had since her divorce in the 1960s and the help she received from God. Included is a list of recreational resources. 1994.

The Hospice Handbook: A Complete Guide RC 38968
by Larry Beresford
read by Dick Jenkins
2 cassettes
Beresford has been involved with the concept of hospice since 1978, when his mother was diagnosed with cancer and received hospice care. At several facilities around the country he talked with staff, patients, and family members. He offers information on the philosophy of hospice; services provided, including caring for patients at home; and issues such as referral, finances, barriers to hospice access, and legal considerations. 1993.

Paul RC 38982
by E.P. Sanders
read by Phil Regensdorf
2 cassettes
A professor of religion draws on the apostle Paul's letters and the Book of Acts for an interpretation of the life and work of the first-century Jewish follower of Christ. Sanders views Paul as a missionary of the gospel, eager to unite Jews and Gentiles in his faith. Topics the author touches on include righteousness, the resurrection of the dead, the humanity and divinity of Christ, salvation, Christian behavior, and Jewish law. 1991.

A Whole New Life RC 38989
by Reynolds Price
read by Phil Regensdorf
2 cassettes
Hoping to help others cope with medical problems, esteemed author and playwright Price tells of his battle with what he calls the lethal eel: a long tumor in his spine. Price describes the initial symptoms and shock of diagnosis, the blunt attitudes of medical personnel, and the decline and constant pain that followed. Ten years after diagnosis, having negotiated the pain through biofeedback and hypnosis, Price appears to be winning the battle. 1994.

Dispatches from Maine: 1942–1992
RC 38990
by John Gould
read by Phil Regensdorf
2 cassettes
Gould has been writing about life in Maine since October 21, 1942. At the request of many of his readers, he has collected seventy-five of his *Christian Science Monitor* columns. He writes about his grandfather, who always planted his flowers with his vegetables so he could enjoy them; about sopping up soup with a piece of bread; about the Christmas Day Billie Dunn came and sawed wood; and about his buck-saw with the inlaid handle. 1994.

The Way to Xanadu RC 38999
by Caroline Alexander
read by Lynn Schrichte
2 cassettes
Intrigued by Samuel Taylor Coleridge's poem "Kubla Khan," the author longed to see the locales that excited Coleridge's imagination and undauntingly searched them out. Alexander knew Coleridge had visited the places about which he fantasized only through travel literature. She visits the actual spots, chronicles her efforts to experience the modern version of each site, and ponders the narratives that inspired the poet. 1993.

When Women Played Hardball
RC 39231
by Susan E. Johnson
read by Susan McInerney
2 cassettes
Author Johnson was a fourteen-year-old fan when the All-American Girls Baseball League died in 1954 after a twelve-year span. To recreate the spirit of the league that fascinated her, Johnson interviews twenty-six of the women who played for the 1950 Rockford Peaches and Fort Wayne Daisies. Their recollections of the 1950 championship series are supplemented by newspaper accounts of each of the seven games. 1994.

The Difference: Growing Up Female in America RC 39263
by Judy Mann
read by Celeste Lawson
2 cassettes
The author contends that little has changed in the rearing and education of girls during the late twentieth century. Mann examines the differences in treatment of boys and girls from infancy to adolescence, noting discrimination in toy choices, religious and secular schools, sports, and the media. She concludes that, in spite of the women's movement, girls are still victimized by a patriarchal society. 1994.

A New World: An Epic of Colonial America from the Founding of Jamestown to the Fall of Quebec RC 39402
by Arthur Quinn
read by Peter Johnson
5 cassettes
Quinn approaches the early history of America through the eyes of Europeans who settled certain colonies. He tells episodes of each period using the literary rhetoric of that time. His stories cover John Smith of Jamestown, William Bradford of Plymouth, Samuel de Champlain of Quebec, Comte de Frontenac of New France, and Peter Stuyvesant of Manhattan. 1994.

A Fish in the Water: A Memoir
RC 39638
by Mario Vargas Llosa
read by Jake Williams
5 cassettes
The renowned novelist relates the story of his Latin American youth and describes how he often incorporates personal experiences into his fiction. He also tells what motivated him to campaign for democractic and economic reforms and eventually for the presidency of his native Peru, an effort that failed. In addition to a self-portrait, Vargas Llosa offers an overview of the Peruvian literary and political scene spanning four decades. 1993.

The Reckoning: The Murder of Christopher Marlowe RC 39783
by Charles Nicholl
read by Robert Murch
3 cassettes
When young Christopher Marlowe was stabbed to death, public records showed the cause to be a dispute over a tavern bill. Nicholl depicts the promising dramatist's involvement in Elizabethan spy networks and raises questions about his personal life, his politics, and the company he kept to provide insights into the centuries-old mystery. 1992.

The Pattons: A Personal History of an American Family RC 39844
by Robert H. Patton
read by Dan Bloom
3 cassettes
Portrait of a family that developed a long-term military connection and produced George S. Patton Jr., a four-star general of World War II renown. Patton's grandson sketches the family background prior to the Pattons' arrival in America and highlights both men and women who participated in wartime activities in the new world. The author also discusses his decision to lead a civilian life. 1994.

What If the Moon Didn't Exist? Voyages to Earths That Might Have Been
RC 39898
by Neil F. Comins
read by Ed Blake
2 cassettes
An astronomy professor illustrates the fragility of Earth's habitat by discussing what Earth would be like if it had been formed under different cosmic circumstances or if it were to experience extreme planetary changes. For example, what would Earth be like without an ozone layer, or if it had no moon, or were tilted at a different angle on its axis? For senior high and older readers. 1993.

Great Time Coming: The Life of Jackie Robinson, from Baseball to Birmingham
RC 39899
by David Falkner
read by L.J. Ganser
3 cassettes
When Jackie Robinson entered baseball's big leagues, he began a crusade that started with the integration of sports and later became more far reaching. Falkner chronicles Robinson's life before and after sports, including his role in the civil rights movement, his battle with diabetes and blindness, and his induction into the Baseball Hall of Fame. Some strong language. 1995.

Lives and Letters in American Parapsychology: A Biographical History, 1850–1987 RC 40100
by Arthur S. Berger
read by James DeLotel
3 cassettes
Traces the development of the field of parapsychology through scientific investigation into claims of extrasensory perception, telepathy, spiritualism, clairvoyance, and poltergeists. Stories of the lives and accomplishments of the major figures are inserted into a chronology of historical events. 1988.

Voices from the Future: Our Children Tell Us about Violence in America RC 40131
by Children's Express
read by Ray Foushee
2 cassettes
Children's Express, a news service reported and edited by teenagers, interviewed young people around the country about violence. In their own words, more than forty teenagers describe the impact of violence on their lives, some as criminals, others as victims. They talk about drugs, guns, abuse in the home, and life on the streets. Violence and strong language. For high school and older readers. 1993.

The American Country Inn and Bed and Breakfast Cookbook, Volume 2 RC 40206
by Kitty and Lucian Maynard
read by Patricia McDermott
9 cassettes
A cookbook and comprehensive guide to bed and breakfast establishments in the United States and Canada. Entries are grouped alphabetically by state and province and by city within each. Each entry contains a practical description of the accommodations, plus historical information, if applicable. More than 1,800 recipes featuring regional specialties follow travel particulars. 1990.

Russia 2010: And What It Means for the World RC 40223
by Daniel Yergin and Thane Gustafson
read by Kimberly Schraf
3 cassettes
The authors offer four scenarios for Russia's future. With the collapse of the political and economic systems in the 1990s, there are possibilities of a balance of forces, disintegration until the union reverts to separate states, an authoritarian regime, or the creation of a miracle from Russia's natural resources and talent. 1993.

The United States and the End of the Cold War: Implications, Reconsiderations, Provocations RC 40327
by John Lewis Gaddis
read by Miranda Daniloff
3 cassettes
The role of the United States in ending the Cold War with the Soviet Union. In the first seven essays, Gaddis reconsiders aspects of Cold War history from the vantage of hindsight. In the four remaining essays, the author explains the sudden end of the Cold War and contemplates future implications. 1992.

The Complete Lyrics of Ira Gershwin RC 40346
by Ira Gershwin
read by Robert Sams
6 cassettes
The lyricist's collaboration with his brother, George, and other major twentieth-century composers made him a pillar of American music theater for more than fifty years. Arranged in

chronological order, the collection contains hundreds of lyrics plus Gershwin's comments and anecdotes. 1993.

Using MS-DOS 6.2, Special Edition RC 40375

by Allen L. Wyatt Sr. and others
read by John Richardson
9 cassettes
A tutorial to all DOS commands and utilities through MS-DOS 6.2. Designed for PC users at every level, this guide covers DOS fundamentals, file and directory management, maximal use of the hard drive, and control of DOS from the most basic procedures to international communication. A reference section provides detailed information about each MS-DOS 6 command and contains seven appendixes and a glossary. 1993.

Fifty to Forever RC 40400

by Hugh Downs
read by Randy Atcher
2 cassettes
Downs, host of ABC's news magazine *20/20*, offers helpful advice on living a fulfilling second half of life and ensuring that loved ones do also. Downs, who has a certificate in gerontology and has "tried" retirement, discusses the attitudes, assumptions, and myths many hold regarding aging. He also talks about remaining independent by maintaining health, planning for the future, and—when necessary—finding the best nursing homes or adult day-care. 1994.

Every Shut Eye Ain't Asleep: An Anthology of Poetry by African Americans since 1945 RC 40432

edited by Michael S. Harper and Anthony Walton
read by Gail Nelson
2 cassettes
This anthology presents African American poets whose works are "ethnically unidentifiable" as well as those whose poems are "identifiably black." A profile introduces each poet. Some poets are represented by a single poem, others by a generous sampling. All the poets were born between between 1913 and 1962, and all have published at least one book. 1994.

Same-Sex Unions in Premodern Europe RC 40435

by John Boswell
read by Robert Blumenfeld
5 cassettes
Boswell claims that in ancient and medieval times there were official ceremonies for couples of the same sex that were similar to the marriage ceremony. He analyzes the concepts and vocabulary of love and marriage in the context of different societies, from the Greco-Roman world to sixteenth-century Europe, and compares the rituals for conventional marriage with the ceremonies in the texts he has discovered. 1994.

Rayford W. Logan and the Dilemma of the African-American Intellectual RC 40438

by Kenneth Robert Janken
read by Peter Johnson
3 cassettes
Rayford W. Logan was an African American scholar and civil rights activist whose accomplishments were frequently overshadowed by his tendency

to create controversy. Janken uses Logan's letters, personal papers, and unpublished autobiography to provide an overview of black intellectual life in early-twentieth-century America. 1993.

Nella Larsen, Novelist of the Harlem Renaissance: A Woman's Life Unveiled RC 40440

by Thadious M. Davis
read by Catherine Byers
4 cassettes
Biography of the author of *Quicksand* (1928) and *Passing* (1929) (combined as *RC 40702*), fiction depicting the realities of Harlem in the 1920s. Davis portrays Larsen as a gifted woman of mixed racial heritage, abandoned by her family, rejected by black and white society, accused of plagiarism, and generally disengaged from her personal past and social history. 1994.

The Private Life of Chairman Mao: The Memoirs of Mao's Personal Physician RC 40449

by Zhisui Li
read by Gordon Gould
5 cassettes
Portrait of Mao Zedong, ruler of the People's Republic of China, by the chairman's private physician. Li reports on Mao's promiscuity, slovenliness, idiosyncrasies, and interpersonal relationships. The author was also privy to Mao's views on political matters and an eyewitness to many historical events, including the Great Leap Forward and the Cultural Revolution. 1994.

Mozart: A Life RC 40451

by Maynard Solomon
read by Gordon Gould
5 cassettes
The author of *Beethoven (RC 25162)* examines the life and music of another of history's great composers. Solomon shows how Mozart developed from child prodigy to mature artist by the time of his death at thirty-five. Combining musical analysis with an in-depth study of documentary sources, Solomon contests the "eternal child" myth, which he attributes to Mozart's father. 1995.

Mars and Venus in the Bedroom: A Guide to Lasting Romance and Passion RC 40459

by John Gray
read by Erik Sandvold
1 cassette
The author of *Men Are from Mars, Women Are from Venus (RC 35918)* offers suggestions to help couples communicate better in the bedroom and therefore keep sex alive in a monogamous relationship. He discusses what to say and do, what not to say and do, the mechanics of sex, and how to rekindle passion. Some strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1995.

The First World War: A Complete History RC 40464

by Martin Gilbert
read by Bruce Huntey
5 cassettes
The author draws on his travels throughout wartorn Europe and on letters from and talks with World War I servicemen for his assessment of the war's effects, especially on the British. Rather than describing the battles, Gilbert focuses on the suffering of individuals, the war's impact on future leaders such as Hitler and Churchill, and the emergence of new warfare tactics. Companion to *Second World War (RC 40822)*. 1994.

The Home Office and Small Business Answer Book: Solutions to the Most Frequently Asked Questions about Starting and Running Home Offices and Small Businesses RC 40470
by Janet Attard
read by Kerry Cundiff
4 cassettes
Business information provider to the GEnie and America Online services offers practical solutions to hundreds of questions about starting a small or homebased business. With emphasis on electronic resources, Attard's approach can also serve as a reference guide for established entrepreneurs. Includes glossary. 1993.

Honest Medicine: Shattering the Myths about Aging and Health Care RC 40476
by Donald J. Murphy
read by Randy Atcher
2 cassettes
To help patients critically weigh health care's benefits and burdens, a medical director of a senior-citizen health facility explains the risk-reduction rates of various treatments and tests. Included are different types of blood pressure medicine and cancer screening tests such as mammograms and prostate exams. 1995.

Handbook of Key Economic Indicators RC 40482
by R. Mark Rogers
read by Lou Harpenau
4 cassettes
Detailed guide to the nonfinancial economic indicators (including employment, manufacturers' orders, auto sales, and inflation) used by financial markets in making decisions. Rogers's reference covers how various indicators are calculated, compiled, and reported; what causes each indicator to change; how to interpret monthly statistics in the press; and how one indicator can be used to project another. 1994.

Don't Count on It! Why Your Pension May Be in Jeopardy—and How to Protect Yourself RC 40497
by Thomas G. Donlan
read by Art Metzler
2 cassettes
A *Barron*'s editor discloses the fragility of the American pension system, traces the evolution of government and private plans, and explains regulations resulting from the 1974 Employee Retirement Income Security Act. He suggests legislative reforms, recommends ways to protect pension benefits, and offers advice on how to build a personal savings and investment plan. 1994.

Why Zebras Don't Get Ulcers: A Guide to Stress, Stress-Related Diseases, and Coping RC 40516
by Robert M. Sapolsky
read by John Rayburn
2 cassettes
A science professor explains how stress affects the human immune, cardiovascular, digestive, and reproductive systems; the body's response to pain; its rate of growth; and the process of aging. Sapolsky treats the subject seriously but uses humor and unconventional examples. He advocates preventing psychological stress and avoiding simplistic self-help psychology. 1994.

Mr. Lincoln's Army: The Army of the Potomac, Volume 1 RC 40519
by Bruce Catton
read by David Hilder
3 cassettes (Reissue)
The first book in a trilogy about Lincoln's famous Army of the Potomac.

Based on diaries, letters, and published reports of soldiers, this volume tells of the early days of the Civil War under the command of General George B. McClellan. Prequel to *Glory Road (RC 40520)*. 1951.

The Politics of Glory: How Baseball's Hall of Fame Really Works RC 40527
by Bill James
read by Christopher Hurt
3 cassettes
History of an institution created as a tourist attraction for the upstate New York village of Cooperstown. James paints the Baseball Hall of Fame as a highly politicized, controversial sports shrine. He closely examines the admission criteria and criticizes the voting process. He then offers suggestions for improving the selection policies. 1994.

In Retrospect: The Tragedy and Lessons of Vietnam RC 40542
by Robert S. McNamara and Brian VanDeMark
read by Ralph Lowenstein
3 cassettes
McNamara, secretary of defense under presidents Kennedy and Johnson, details the thinking, discussions, and decisions that shaped U.S. involvement in Vietnam. Deploring post-Vietnam cynicism, he argues that officials acted in good faith and explains why decisions he now thinks were wrong seemed right at the time. Bestseller 1995.

Speak Now against the Day: The Generation before the Civil Rights Movement in the South RC 40546
by John Egerton
read by Frank Coffee
6 cassettes
Discusses the South, race relations, and the people who spoke out for progress and equality during the mid-century years before the Supreme Court ended legal segregation in 1954. The book covers a period beginning in 1932 and continues with the resistance of politicians, social activists, writers, teachers, and others who promoted racial harmony and started the "Movement." 1994.

Beyond Uhura: *Star Trek* and Other Memories RC 40547
by Nichelle Nichols
read by Connie Winston
2 cassettes
Famous for her role as Uhura in the *Star Trek* television series and movies, Nichelle Nichols still considers acting to be the "other thing" she does, her first love being music. She discusses life on and off the set and the important people in her life. Even though in a successful show, the black actress experienced resistance from the network and stayed only when encouraged by Martin Luther King Jr. Strong language. 1994.

The Discipline of Market Leaders: Choose Your Customers, Narrow Your Focus, Dominate Your Market RC 40551
by Michael Treacy and Fred Wiersema
read by John Richardson
2 cassettes
Two business strategists focus on ways a company can become a leader in the marketplace. The authors suggest focusing on a single "value discipline," either the company's operations, or the product(s), the customers' concerns. Bestseller 1995.

Husband, Lover, Spy RC 40552
by Janice Pennington and
Carlos De Abreu
read by Kerry Cundiff
2 cassettes
Janice Pennington, hostess on the TV game show *The Price Is Right*, married German mountain climber Fritz Stammberger in 1974. In 1975, while climbing in the Tirich Mir area along the Afghanistan, Pakistan, and Russian border, Stammberger disappeared. Years later, after Pennington had him declared legally dead and married another man, she uncovered startling information. Some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1994.

Nicole Brown Simpson: The Private Diary of a Life Interrupted RC 40553
by Faye Resnick and Mike Walker
read by Madelyn Buzzard
1 cassette
Socialite Faye Resnick tells of her friendship with Nicole Simpson and the alleged abuse Nicole suffered from her ex-husband, O.J. Simpson. Resnick, who says she was beaten as a child, believes O.J. is Nicole's murderer. Although Resnick fears she is in danger, she feels she must describe what she says was a volatile relationship. Violence and strong language. Bestseller 1994.

Bird by Bird: Some Instructions on Writing and Life RC 40554
by Anne Lamott
read by Janis Gray
2 cassettes
Practical information and encouragement from the author's personal experience as the daughter of a writer and as a novelist and writing instructor. Lamott offers tips on skills such as producing credible dialog and collecting phrases and observations, and she also describes her own writing life. Some strong language. Bestseller 1994.

Toothpaste and Railroad Tracks RC 40557
edited by Kenneth Jernigan
read by Bruce Huntey
1 cassette
"Details of everyday life as blind persons live it." Members of the National Federation of the Blind, including Kenneth Jernigan and Mark Maurer, contribute essays. Jernigan explains his methods of shaving and brushing his teeth. Barbara Walker discusses her daughter's attitude about her mother's blindness. Patricia Maurer describes learning to read and write as a teenager in a rural community. 1995.

The Finishing Touch RC 40559
by Charles R. Swindoll
read by Andy Chappell
1 cassette
Short, inspirational meditations. God watches over his creatures, helps them in difficult times, and adds the finishing touches to their lives. 1995.

Cruel Sacrifice RC 40560
by Aphrodite Jones
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
Sixteen-year-old Melinda Loveless became angry when her young lesbian lover got involved with twelve-year-old Shanda Sharer. Planning to teach Shanda a lesson, Melinda and three of her teenage friends tortured and burned the girl to death. Melinda's troubled childhood is described as are the events leading up to the murder. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1994.

Hinge and Sign: Poems, 1968–1993
RC 40572
by Heather McHugh
read by Carole Jordan Stewart
1 cassette
Twenty-eight new poems along with selections from five previous books trace the development of this poet over twenty-five years. In a brief introduction, McHugh writes that "to be a writer with a reader is rather like being, oneself, of two minds, at every turn: hinge and sign." And, in one of her more playful moods, "eloquent is just a mess of hinge and sign: a MO where the TEL is not yet fallen off . . ." Some strong language. 1994.

Well Done! The Common Guy's Guide to Everyday Success RC 40573
by Dave Thomas and Ron Beyma
read by Butch Hoover
2 cassettes
Wendy's Restaurant founder Dave Thomas offers insight into how ordinary people—like himself—can achieve success by doing the right things. Thomas, a strong advocate for adoption and an adoptee himself, did not graduate from high school until 1993. He offers his own program for achievement through positive thinking, honesty, hard work, and spiritual nourishment. 1994.

Arrogant Capital: Washington, Wall Street, and the Frustration of American Politics RC 40574
by Kevin Phillips
read by Butch Hoover
2 cassettes
A longtime political observer, particularly of the Washington scene, vents his views on why the federal government has lost touch with the people. Citing historical examples of similar failures to curb power and pride, Phillips suggests what must be done to return the government to the voting public. 1994.

So Far, So Good: A Memoir RC 40575
by Burgess Meredith
read by Fred Major
2 cassettes
Still acting at eighty-three, Meredith looks back at his lengthy career and adventure-filled life. After a difficult childhood and an aborted college education, Meredith was a hit on Broadway by the age of twenty-four before going to Hollywood. He was married to three women, including Paulette Goddard, before entering his current marriage, which has lasted more than forty years. His life story teems with celebrity-studded anecdotes. Strong language. 1994.

Irving Berlin: A Daughter's Memoir RC 40593
by Mary Ellin Barrett
read by Suzanne Toren
2 cassettes
Eldest daughter of the composer of "White Christmas" and hundreds of other popular songs traces Berlin's path to the top of the charts. She discusses the marriage between the uneducated Jewish Russian immigrant songwriter and his much younger, Catholic, very wealthy bride. The author also explores the dichotomy between the show business and social worlds, the writer's block and prolific periods, and the joys and sorrows that made up Berlin's 101 years. 1994.

The Vitamin Pushers: How the "Health Food" Industry Is Selling America a Bill of Goods RC 40595
by Stephen Barrett and Victor Herbert
read by Ralph Lowenstein
5 cassettes
A retired psychiatrist and a nutrition scientist present the health food industry as a form of organized crime. They warn consumers not to be taken in by what they consider devious ploys: "phony" tests, such as hair analysis; dubious credentials and doctoring; "fake" remedies, such as homeopathy; and "cultism," such as macrobiotics and naturopathy. 1994.

Times to Remember RC 40600
by Rose Fitzgerald Kennedy
read by Judith Ann Gantly
4 cassettes (Reissue)
First published in 1974 and reissued shortly before the author's death in 1995. The matriarch of an extended Irish American family recounts the joys and sorrows of her full life, her role in aiding people with mental retardation, and her deep faith. Kennedy also describes her role as daughter of a congressman who became mayor of Boston, the wife of an ambassador, and the mother and grandmother of other elected officials, including a president. 1995.

Ask Me if I Care: Voices from an American High School RC 40603
by Nancy J. Rubin
read by Catherine Byers
3 cassettes
For eighteen years, Nancy Rubin has been teaching a nine-week crash course to help high school students deal with problems in such areas as sexuality, substance abuse, family relationships, stress, and prejudice. To inform other teens and their parents, Rubin discusses these issues here and presents entries from the journals she has her students keep. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1994.

D.H. Lawrence: The Story of a Marriage RC 40605
by Brenda Maddox
read by Graeme Malcolm
5 cassettes
Plumbing letters by D.H. Lawrence and private papers by certain of his friends for insights into his thoughts, the author chronicles Lawrence's life as a fiction writer, literary critic, and journalist. Maddox explores Lawrence's opinions, his illness, his sexuality, the contradictions in his relationships with women, his marriage to Frieda Weekley, and his novel *Mr. Noon*, not published until 1984. 1994.

Remarkable Recovery: What Extraordinary Healings Tell Us about Getting Well and Staying Well RC 40615
by Caryle Hirshberg and Marc Ian Barasch
read by Bill Wallace
3 cassettes
A medical researcher and a cancer survivor recount unexplained recoveries and suggest how they can be studied scientifically. The discussion includes cases in which patients received useless treatment but improved anyway and cases in which patients' beliefs provided the power of healing. Bestseller 1995.

Dave Barry's Complete Guide to Guys: A Fairly Short Book RC 40618
by Dave Barry
read by Jim Zeiger
1 cassette
According to Barry, this is a book about

guys—not a book about men. Books about men are too serious. Barry begins with a test to determine the reader's "guyness" and then gives a brief account of the role of guys in history, their biological nature, their social development, and their special guy problems. For women, there is a chapter on dealing with guys. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1995.

Fatheralong: A Meditation on Fathers and Sons, Race and Society RC 40624
by John Edgar Wideman
read by Jim Zeiger
2 cassettes
A collection of six essays examining a strained father-son relationship in terms of social issues about race and family. Wideman, an award-winning novelist who wrote about his brother and himself in *Brothers and Keepers (RC 23360)*, here combines a memoir of his father with observations about African American life. Some strong language. 1994.

The American West RC 40646
by Dee Brown
read by Lynn Schrichte
3 cassettes
Brown draws on his previous books for this account of the West, centering on Native Americans, settlers, and ranchers from the early 1800s through the 1920s. In between are portraits of camp meetings, stagecoach robberies, plagues, roundups, Indian wars, and gold rushes, featuring well-known people like Sitting Bull, Geronimo, Billy the Kid, Wyatt Earp, and Buffalo Bill. Some violence. 1994.

Prodigal Soldiers: How the Generation of Officers Born of Vietnam Revolutionized the American Style of War RC 40652
by James Kitfield
read by Terence Aselford
4 cassettes
A journalist's perspective on how lessons learned in Vietnam changed the U.S. military's way of doing business. Kitfield recounts efforts to learn from mistakes; to prepare for new types of conflict; to deal with all-volunteer forces, women in combat, and drug abuse; and to replace rivalry with cooperation among the services. 1995.

The Hank Snow Story RC 40656
by Hank Snow and others
read by Gary Telles
5 cassettes
Country-music legend known as the Singing Ranger tells of early years of abuse and the comfort he found in music. Snow's slow-moving career parallels the growth of country-and-western music in Canada, where he was born. His 1950 Nashville Grand Ole Opry debut was disappointing, but once he recorded "I'm Movin' On," his star began to rise. Later he would introduce Elvis Presley. Includes a selective discography. 1994.

How to Save Your Kids from Ruin RC 40658
by Jerry Johnston
read by Andy Chappell
1 cassette
Asked to speak to a group of parents about how they could reach their children and save them from making self-destructive choices, Johnston put together a list of commandments, illustrated with true stories, that parents could use as guidelines. His four-

teen commandments include these: don't be naive, be informed, listen, talk, care enough to correct, teach prepared reaction responses, embrace your children, and pray with them. 1994.

Unchained Memories: True Stories of Traumatic Memories, Lost and Found RC 40659

by Lenore Terr
read by Carole Jordan Stewart
3 cassettes

To show how childhood trauma can be forgotten and how and why the memories return, psychiatrist Terr presents stories about people who recalled traumatic episodes from their childhood. She includes one tale about a false remembrance and another in which Eileen Franklin remembers her father killing her best friend twenty years earlier. Some strong language and some violence. 1994.

Summing Up: An Autobiography RC 40661

by Yitzhak Shamir
read by Lou Harpenau
3 cassettes

Shamir, born in Poland in 1915, believes little of what he has experienced could have been foreseen by the child who attended a Hebrew school and whose parents were dedicated Zionists. Shamir, who arrived in Israel (then Palestine) in 1935, discusses his long involvement with underground groups, his membership in the Knesset, his term as prime minister, U.S.-Israeli relations, and some of the men with whom he worked, including Menachem Begin. 1994.

Angels RC 40662

by Billy Graham
read by Randy Atcher
1 cassette (Reissue)

The world-famous clergyman suggests that angels have a more important place in the Bible than the devil or his demons. Graham also believes that angels are sent by God to watch over and protect his people. 1975.

Now You're Cooking: Everything a Beginner Needs to Know to Start Cooking Today RC 40663

by Elaine Corn
read by Kerry Cundiff
2 cassettes

Corn takes the beginning cook step by step through the process of preparing each recipe. She suggests the best cookware, equipment, and tools; provides "Let's Talk" columns that explain ingredients or offer helpful suggestions; describes various cooking methods; and includes numerous recipes. 1994.

Dead Right RC 40664

by David Frum
read by Barry Bernson
2 cassettes

Frum, former editor for the *Wall Street Journal* and columnist for *Forbes*, argues that the conservatives abandoned economic conservatism for social conservatism from 1980 to 1994, even though they had control of the executive branch for eight years and dominated the Senate for six. He discusses three sects of conservatism (nationalists, moralists, and optimists) and possible presidential candidates. 1994.

Lost Moon: The Perilous Voyage of Apollo 13 RC 40691
by Jim Lovell and Jeffrey Kluger
read by L.J. Ganser
3 cassettes
Apollo 13 was to have been the fifth mission to the moon. But two days into the trip, on April 13, 1970, the oxygen tank exploded in the command module, placing the three astronauts in grave danger. Lovell describes those terrifying days as astronauts, contractors, and Mission Control struggled to bring Apollo 13 safely back to earth. Basis for the movie *Apollo 13*. Bestseller 1994.

The Hot Zone RC 40695
by Richard Preston
read by Richard Davidson
2 cassettes
A man visits a cave in Africa and becomes ill. He begins bleeding from his orifices and soon dies. Tests reveal the little-known species-jumping Marburg filovirus. Later, in Reston, Virginia, a research firm's monkeys also begin to crash and bleed out. Tests show Ebola, a more lethal sister filovirus to Marburg. The monkey house becomes a hot zone as scientists frantically try to contain the killer. Some strong language. Bestseller 1994.

The Princes in the Tower RC 40697
by Alison Weir
read by George Holmes
3 cassettes
Weir offers an account of events leading to the deaths of two princes, sons of King Edward IV. She discusses the line of succession to the English throne, including the crisis that made Edward IV king. Using previously published histories by Sir Thomas More and Dominic Mancini, as well as the *Croyland Chronicle*, Weir analyses accounts of the princes' imprisonment and assigns responsibility for their deaths. 1992.

Doctor, What Should I Eat? Nutrition Prescriptions for Ailments in Which Diet Can Really Make a Difference RC 40712
by Isadore Rosenfeld
read by John Rayburn
3 cassettes
Although he considers himself an "establishment" doctor, Rosenfeld believes that almost every major medical condition is either caused or affected in some way by food. He provides advice on what food may help or hurt various conditions including cancer, Alzheimer's disease, pregnancy, panic attacks, jet lag, migraines, and osteoporosis. Bestseller 1995.

Looking for Your Name: A Collection of Contemporary Poems RC 40715
selected by Paul B. Janeczko
read by Jim Zeiger
1 cassette
Anthology of poems by contemporary writers. Focusing on conflict in a range of situations, the poems are designed to evoke strong emotions. The opening poem recalls a first-grader's eagerness in raising his hand to be called on for the answer. Other poems deal with such topics as suicide, AIDS, nuclear accidents, and the swift passage of life. Some strong language. For high school and older readers. 1993.

Pale Blue Dot: A Vision of the Human Future in Space RC 40718
by Carl Sagan
read by Bob Butz
3 cassettes
Sequel to *Cosmos (RC 15796)*, which is about human attempts to understand

the universe from the vantage point of Earth, continues with a view of Earth from the perspective of space. The popular astronomer and author examines the claim that "our world and species are unique, and even central to the workings and purpose of the Cosmos," and concludes with an optimistic look at a future beyond our planet. Bestseller 1994.

Five Patients: The Hospital Explained
RC 40720
by Michael Crichton
read by David Hartley-Margolin
2 cassettes
Crichton looks at the daily operations of the Massachusetts General Hospital during the early part of 1969 when he was a fourth-year medical student. By focusing on the injuries, problems, diagnoses, treatments, and recoveries of five patients, Crichton examines the work of hospital staff in the emergency rooms, operating rooms, and administrative offices and at the patients' bedsides. Bestseller 1970.

Rosencrantz and Guildenstern Are Dead
RC 40760
by Tom Stoppard
read by Gary Telles
1 cassette (Reissue)
One-time schoolfriends of Shakespeare's Hamlet are recreated in this contemporary drama of wit. The underlying theme is nihilistic, and the action alternates between Hamlet's Denmark and a modern world of resounding emptiness. 1967.

Salvador's Children: A Song for Survival
RC 40767
by Lea Marenn
read by Ilona Dulaski
2 cassettes
When the author, a forty-year-old single academic, adopts a child, two lives change. Suddenly the missing pieces in the story of María, an eight-year-old orphan from El Salvador, force Marenn to confront her own experiences as a European refugee in World War II and to question the U.S. involvement in El Salvador's civil war. With understanding, sympathy, patience, and love, Marenn helps María to learn to trust. 1993.

An Italian Education: The Further Adventures of an Expatriate in Verona
RC 40776
by Tim Parks
read by Frank Coffee
3 cassettes
As a follow-up to *Italian Neighbors (RC 35775)*, Parks now looks at raising his two children, Michele and Stefania, who will grow up thoroughly Italian even though they are half English. Parks's discussion touches on such aspects of Italian society as government bureaucracy and a day at the beach. Bestseller 1995.

Sex in America: A Definitive Survey
RC 40781
by Robert T. Michael and others
read by Ralph Lowenstein
3 cassettes
Results of a 1992 study conducted over seven months by the National Opinion Research Center using a random cross-section of more than three thousand American households, with about an 80 percent response. The authors dispel

many myths regarding sexual activity, answer questions about what behavior is normal, and show how society determines our conduct. Some descriptions of sex. 1994.

Madonna RC 40785
by Nicole Claro
read by Suzanne Toren
1 cassette
Madonna and her five siblings grew up in an Italian American suburb of Pittsburgh. She dropped out of college to move to New York, hoping to make it as a dancer. Instead she became a pop singer, eventually achieving a record fifteen consecutive top-five singles. Her daring work has broken social and sexual taboos. Madonna's short marriage to Sean Penn and her movie career are also discussed. For junior and senior high and older readers. 1994.

Conversations: Straight Talk with America's Sister President RC 40787
by Johnnetta B. Cole
read by Gail Nelson
2 cassettes
The first woman president of Atlanta's Spelman College addresses a younger generation of African American women, with "no objection to others listening in." Cole introduces herself and discusses racism, sexism, abuse, stereotypes, charity, education, and positive role models. She ends with a plea that others with an interest in the future continue conversations and write their own conclusions. 1993.

Garbo: A Biography RC 40789
by Barry Paris
read by Frank Coffee
5 cassettes
Portrait of the screen legend of the 1930s. Drawing on access to Garbo's correspondence and taped telephone conversations as well as interviews with her surviving friends and family, Paris follows the star, who was elusive during her active career and reclusive following her early retirement in 1941. Bestseller 1994.

Hegel RC 40792
by Peter Singer
read by Robert Blumenfeld
1 cassette
A beginner's guide to the complex ideas of the Prussian-born nineteenth-century philosopher George Wilhelm Friedrich Hegel. Singer discusses Hegel's philosophy of history, his views of freedom and society, his concept of logic, and what many believe to be Hegel's most challenging work, *The Phenomenology of Mind*. 1983.

Where Angels Walk RC 40793
by Joan Wester Anderson
read by Robin Miles
2 cassettes
After the author's son was stranded in a dangerous place and rescued by a tow truck that then mysteriously vanished, she began researching angels in earnest. Anderson concludes that one of the three basic purposes of angels is to act as caretakers. She presents the stories people have submitted to her about angels they believe have helped them. The stories describe appearances by these spirits as adults, children, dogs, or disembodied voices. Bestseller 1992.

Fire from Heaven: The Rise of Pentecostal Spirituality and the Reshaping of Religion in the Twenty-first Century RC 40795
by Harvey Cox
read by Ralph Lowenstein
3 cassettes
Professor of religion at Harvard University examines the resurgence of religion throughout the world and the reasons so many people are attracted to the Pentecostal movement. Cox, who visited Pentecostal congregations and participated in services on four continents, provides a history of the movement from its beginnings in Los Angeles in 1906. 1995.

Kato Kaelin: The Whole Truth; the Real Story of O.J., Nicole, and Kato; from the Actual Tapes RC 40803
by Marc Eliot
read by Richard Davidson
2 cassettes
Kaelin had lived at the homes of both O.J. Simpson and Simpson's ex-wife Nicole, whom Simpson was accused of murdering. A key witness in the high-profile trial, Kaelin collaborated with Eliot on a book describing the events leading up to the murder. The book deal fell through, and Eliot now discusses what Kaelin told him and how it differed from Kaelin's testimony. Strong language. Bestseller 1995.

The New Middle East RC 40808
by Shimon Peres and Arye Naor
read by Ken Kliban
2 cassettes
The Israeli minister of foreign affairs presents his vision for the future of the Middle East. Eager to preserve the peace accord signed by Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin and Palestine Liberation Organization leader Yasser Arafat, Peres advocates compromise, joint economic ventures, a determination to replace military spending with social programs, and a desire for Israel to be a good neighbor to the entire Arab world. 1993.

Blacks and Jews: Alliances and Arguments RC 40809
edited by Paul Berman
read by Ken Kliban
2 cassettes
Nineteen essays look at the years of discord between blacks and Jews and attempt to answer the question "What is the fight about?" Grouped into literary battles, historical and political reflections, controversies, and philosophical observations, the essays include accounts, old and new, by writers such as bell hooks, James Baldwin, Norman Podhoretz, Cornel West, and Henry Louis Gates Jr. 1994.

October 1964 RC 41002
by David Halberstam
read by Art Metzler
3 cassettes
1964: the year of Whitey Ford, Mickey Mantle, and Lou Brock; the year in which the aging New York Yankees' dynasty began to decline and the St. Louis Cardinals gained prominence—thanks to the speed and power of their new players. Halberstam looks at the two teams who played in that year's World Series and shows how they reflected the changing mores of American society. Companion to *Summer of '49 (RC 30980)*. Strong language. Bestseller 1994.

The Wonderful Spirit-Filled Life
RC 41006
by Charles Stanley
read by Lou Harpenau
2 cassettes
Stanley, pastor of the First Baptist Church in Atlanta, Georgia, believes humanity is hopeless without help from a higher power—the third person of the Trinity, the Holy Spirit. Using anecdotes and teachings from the Bible, Stanley shows how believers can develop a relationship with Jesus Christ and go from living an "adequate" life to living a "spirit-filled" life. 1992.

The Ghost Trio: Poems RC 41011
by Linda Bierds
read by David Palmer
1 cassette
The title poem introduces three eighteenth-century characters who appear to have little in common. Later poems reveal connections among the original trio as these "ghost" figures from the past influence future generations. For example, an ancestor of Charles Darwin observes a Dutch painting and muses about the fish in a frozen pond as skaters glide above them, much as Darwin himself later pondered such relationships. 1994.

Tapping the Charcoal RC 41029
edited by Kenneth Jernigan
read by J.P. Linton
1 cassette
Eight personal accounts by Kenneth Jernigan and other members of the National Federation of the Blind that demonstrate that "blindness is not as strange as you think it is, and it need not be as terrifying." In this volume of the Kernel Book series, authors discuss alternative ways of doing routine tasks and achieving dreams, the need for normal discipline for blind children, and the process of gaining the respect of others. 1995.

The Death of Common Sense: How Law Is Suffocating America RC 41030
by Philip K. Howard
read by Ed Blake
2 cassettes
Citing the example of Mother Teresa's abandonment of plans to turn two old New York City buildings into homeless shelters because of building codes, Howard examines the government's policy of making laws precise to ensure common treatment. He asserts this policy has damaging effects on day care, occupational safety, the environment, and housing for the elderly. Bestseller 1994.

Listen to My Heart: Lessons in Love, Laughter, and Lunacy RC 41034
by Kathie Lee and Cody Gifford
read by Suzanne Toren
1 cassette
The co-star of TV's *Live with Regis and Kathie Lee* recounts conversations with her son, Cody, as examples of adventures in parenting that she hopes will be of value to other parents. She describes how she was more apprehensive than Cody on the first day of a new school year, Cody's behavior when President and Mrs. Ford visited the Giffords, and bathing Cody and his little sister at the same time. Bestseller 1995.

To Our Children's Children: Preserving Family Histories for Generations to Come RC 41038
by Bob Greene and D.G. Fulford
read by Ralph Lowenstein
1 cassette
To put together a personal history for the family, select from a "menu" of

questions on topics such as family and ancestry, childhood, favorite things, career, romance, philosophies, and parenthood. Examples of questions are "Do you remember your house's having a particular scent?" and "Why did you name your children what you named them?" Bestseller 1993.

In the Company of My Sisters: Black Women and Self-Esteem RC 41056
by Julia A. Boyd
read by Connie Winston
1 cassette
A psychotherapist and feminist offers understanding and encouragement to black women facing racism and low self-esteem. She illustrates her advice with anecdotes from her own experience and comments from her women friends. Presenting psychological concepts with frankness and humor, Boyd discusses relationships with other black women, family, men, and God. Some descriptions of sex. 1993.

The Science of Desire: The Search for the Gay Gene and the Biology of Behavior RC 41081
by Dean Hamer and Peter Copeland
read by Bob Moore
2 cassettes
Disagreeing with those who believe sexuality is too mysterious and too complex to ever be analyzed or comprehended, a National Institutes of Health molecular geneticist began a study on a genetic link to homosexuality. He describes the research that led to headlines in 1993 when a shared DNA marker was discovered in a large percentage of gay brothers. 1994.

The Ruling Class: Inside the Imperial Congress RC 41085
by Eric Felten
read by Lynn Schrichte
2 cassettes
Following up on the Heritage Foundation's proposals for change in the executive branch as set forth in *Mandate for Leadership (RC 15852)*, this report suggests reforms aimed at the United States Congress. The author takes an inside look at the congressional class of 1991-92, asserts that they have abdicated their lawmaking role, and calls for a return to their fundamental responsibility. 1993.

Presidential War Power RC 41163
by Louis Fisher
read by John Richardson
2 cassettes
Fisher asserts, "The trend of presidential war power since World War II—the last congressionally declared war—collides with the constitutional framework adopted by the Founding Fathers."
He analyzes constitutional aspects of episodes from the Indian Wars through the May 1994 airstrikes on Bosnia and discusses the role of the U.N. Security Council, issues of covert operations, and the requirement for checks and balances. 1995.

When God Whispers Your Name RC 41164
by Max Lucado
read by Randy Atcher
1 cassette
Through brief vignettes, Lucado explains his theory that God knows each person as an individual, not as part of a group, and that if you listen to God, he will ease your doubts and sorrows. For example, Lucado says, when looking at

a flock of sheep, he himself doesn't really see each sheep, but rather a group. Yet a shepherd knows and has a name for each individual sheep. Bestseller 1994.

Contract with America: The Bold Plan by Rep. Newt Gingrich, Rep. Dick Armey, and the House Republicans to Change the Nation RC 41166
by Ed Gillespie and Bob Schellhas
read by Art Metzler
1 cassette
A ten-point political program endorsed by several Republican candidates during the 1994 midterm elections. These issues, including balancing the budget, reducing government regulations and taxes, strengthening national defense, and reforming welfare, became the basis for legislation promoted by the victorious GOP. Bestseller 1994.

Old Songs in a New Cafe RC 41192
by Robert James Waller
read by Clay Teunis
1 cassette
Nineteen essays written since 1983 by Waller, a folksinger and author of the bestselling *Bridges of Madison County (RC 35861)*. The writings include a loving tribute to his wife, thoughts on his daughter leaving home at eighteen, a book signing on a snowy day in St. Ansgar, playing "Wabash Cannonball" for a program with Charles Kuralt, and thoughts on his fiftieth birthday. Bestseller 1994.

Facercise! The Dynamic Muscle-Toning Program for Renewed Vitality and a More Youthful Appearance RC 41193
by Carole Maggio and Kyle Roderick
read by Faith Potts
1 cassette
Maintaining that most people have weak facial muscles that sag with age, Maggio presents fourteen exercises that isolate about thirty of the fifty-seven facial and neck muscles. She promises rosier skin tone, raised eyebrows, diminished under-eye puffiness, a shorter nose, fuller lips, a firm jawline, and more. Bestseller 1995.

Cassettes Fiction

The Prophecy: The Children of the Lion, Volume 7 RC 38495
by Peter Danielson
read by Patrick Horgan
3 cassettes
The Teller of Tales recalls how drought forced many people into Egypt where Joseph's family prospered, how Aram took the throne of King Salitis, Ben-Hadad's death, and Teti, the first girl with the mark of the lion. Now he tells how a new split between Egypt and the Hai grew throughout the land. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. Sequel to *Lord of the Nile (RC 38494)*. 1986.

A Distant Trumpet RC 38772
by Paul Horgan
read by Michael Kramer
5 cassettes (Reissue)
Historical novel set in the Southwest after the Civil War. A young army couple is stationed at a remote post in the Arizona Territory. When war with the Apaches threatens, the husband, accompanied only by White Horn, an army scout, sets out to obtain the surrender of the Apaches' most resistant chief, Rainbow Son. 1960.

The Oak above the Kings: The Tales of Arthur, Volume 2; a Book of the Keltiad RC 38839
by Patricia Kennealy-Morrison
read by George Holmes
3 cassettes
In this sequel to *The Hawk's Gray Feather (RC 38838)*, Arthur and his companions Gweniver and Taliesin have overthrown Archdruid Edeyrn and taken the throne, after allowing exiled King Uthyr to rule briefly. Now Arthur sets out to punish those who supported Edeyrn. On his journeys, he meets Majanah, queen of Yamazai Nations, who bears him a daughter. Some violence. 1994.

My Name Is Polly Winter RC 38945
by Veronica Black
read by June Carter
2 cassettes
Social historian Jessica Cameron has traveled to a Liverpool neighborhood to research local history for her firm's exhibition. She takes a room with the Clares and begins her work by researching the original owners of the Clares' manor, The Cedars. As she finds spooky parallels between the past and the present residents, Jessica becomes aware of the ghostly presence of a young girl who appears to be connected with an old mystery. 1992.

Answer Came There None RC 38947
by E.X. Ferrars
read by Graci Ragsdale
2 cassettes
Sara Marriott, twenty-six and recently divorced, has become a ghostwriter. Her latest assignment is to assist General Schofield, eighty-three, in writing his memoirs. She has taken a room in the home of Althea Cannon, a longtime friend of the general. Mrs. Cannon is about to celebrate her eightieth birthday, but on the day of the birthday party, she is discovered dead. Several days later the general is also found dead. 1992.

Life Estates RC 38951
by Shelby Hearon
read by June Carter
2 cassettes
Harriet Sloane and Sarah Cooper have been close friends since boarding school. Their lives have run a parallel course: marrying at about the same time, having children—a boy and a girl apiece—at about the same time, and now becoming widows. As they struggle with their new status, their friendship begins to change in subtle ways until they are faced with one final crisis. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1994.

Life-Size RC 38952
by Jenefer Shute
read by Mimi Bederman
2 cassettes
At twenty-five, Josie is hospitalized for anorexia nervosa. Refusing to eat at first, Josie eventually relents when she learns of the alternative: hyperalimentation, or force feeding. Deciding to gain enough weight to be released, Josie struggles with the nauseating presence of food. In her therapy sessions she reveals the path that led to her quest to "travel light." Strong language and explicit descriptions of sex. 1992.

***Bears Discover Fire* and Other Stories RC 38953**
by Terry Bisson
read by June Carter
2 cassettes
Nineteen short stories. In the title story,

which won the Hugo, the Nebula, and the Sturgeon awards, bears have left winter hibernation behind and can be found along the interstate highways with torches in their paws. In "England Underway," the island is slowly drifting toward the United States, and in "Necronauts," a blind artist experiences death. Some strong language. 1993.

Living to Be a Hundred: Stories RC 38956
by Robert Boswell
read by Gillian Wilson
2 cassettes
Eleven stories featuring aspects of family life. In the title story, a young man who had studied archaeology is a construction worker. Love for his wife, respect for his friend, and ambivalence toward his own life create an explosive triangle. In "Others," a teenaged boy shelters his little sister and baby brother when their parents prove unequal to the job. Strong language and some violence. 1994.

The Cage RC 38960
by Audrey Schulman
read by Nancy Newell-Kline
2 cassettes
Animal photographer Beryl is chosen for a polar bear shoot by *Natural Photography* because of her slight stature. A small cage has been built to allow a photographer to be three feet from the massive bears. With Beryl in the Canadian tundra will be another photographer, a naturalist, and a local guide. Beryl carefully plans for the trip but is woefully unprepared for the nightmarish adventure ahead. Strong language, violence, and descriptions of sex. 1994.

The White Wolf RC 38969
by Max Brand
read by Don Emmick
2 cassettes
Tucker Crosden has taken his pregnant, prize-winning pit bull on a trapping trip with him. She gives birth but she and most of her litter are killed by Black Wolf. One pup escapes, running to the cave of Black Wolf's mate, La Sombra, who is nursing a litter of her own. To Black Wolf's disgust, La Sombra insists she has given birth to a white wolf. She trains White Wolf to overcome his dulled senses and "blind nose." Strong language and violence. 1926.

The Red Right Hand RC 38984
by Joel Townsley Rogers
read by Phil Regensdorf
2 cassettes
This tale is told by New York surgeon Dr. Henry N. Riddle Jr., whose car was broken down on Swamp Road at the same time that Inis St. Erne was murdered. It seems that the victim and his fiancée were on their way to be married when they picked up a hitchhiker. The killer disappeared, leaving behind a severed right hand and a young doctor to respond to intense scrutiny. Some strong language. 1945.

The Silent Angel RC 38985
by Heinrich Böll
read by June Carter
1 cassette
Completed in 1951 but unpublished during the Nobel Prize-winner's lifetime, this novel is set in post-World War II Cologne. Here, where little beyond the cathedral is spared, a soldier attempts to rebuild his life and to find love and honest work, but he runs into a series of complications and obstacles in-

stead. His story contrasts with that of another young man, who, though corrupt, enjoys respect and the blessing of the church and seems to prosper. 1951.

The Grub-and-Stakers House a Haunt RC 38987
by Alisa Craig
read by Mimi Bederman
2 cassettes
Widow Zilla Trott is in her kitchen making a cup of chamomile tea for herself and her cat when the ghost of Hiram Jellyby suddenly appears. He was murdered some years ago, and he wants Zilla to find his bones and bury them decently so he can rest in peace. Hiram also wants her to look for a wooden box of gold that he buried. When Zilla and her friends begin digging, they uncover more than bones and gold. 1993.

St. Agnes' Stand RC 38988
by Tom Eidson
read by June Carter
1 cassette
Accused of shooting a man in the back, Nat Swanson has been running for his life for a week when he spies the Apaches circling two overturned wagons. Nat spots a woman's face but knows he can't save her and continues on. The face haunts him and soon Nat turns back. Sneaking past the Apaches, Nat finds three nuns and seven orphans who think Nat has been sent by God. Violence and some strong language. 1994.

To Dance with the White Dog RC 38994
by Terry Kay
read by June Carter
2 cassettes
Sam Peek's entry in his journal says simply, "Today my wife died. We were married fifty-seven good years." His children gather and begin to discuss what is to be done. Eventually Sam finds himself alone, except for a mysterious white dog only he can see—to the consternation of his children. Although somewhat incapacitated by a bad leg, Sam remains independent until he joins his wife in death. The dog then appears to his family. Some strong language. 1990.

A Map of the World RC 39001
by Jane Hamilton
read by Kimberly Schraf
3 cassettes
School nurse Alice Goodwin and her dairy farmer husband, Howard, are never truly accepted by the small community of Prairie Center. When the daughter of Alice's one friend, Theresa, dies after falling in the Goodwin's pond, the town turns vicious. Alice is accused of sexually molesting a troubled young boy in her school. As Alice awaits trial in jail, Theresa helps a stunned Howard cope at home. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1994.

The Man Who Dreamt of Lobsters RC 39316
by Michael Collins
read by John Lescault
2 cassettes
Eight stories set in modern Ireland. In "Sickness," an old fisherman attempts sexual relations with his mentally retarded grandson and dreams of monster lobsters. In "The Butcher's Daughter," a pregnant girl privately laments the death of her rebel boyfriend as she counts down the minutes before she sets off a bomb in a Belfast pub crowded with British soldiers. Violence and strong language. 1993.

Floating City: A Nicholas Linnear Novel RC 39345
by Eric Lustbader
read by David Hartley-Margolin
4 cassettes
Floating City, in the Vietnam jungle, is controlled by Rock, an American who has created a powerful nuclear weapon, the Torch. It is up to Nicholas Linnear to locate Rock and destroy the Torch. Linnear gets help from his friend Lew Croaker but must face demons from his past before he can complete his mission. Sequel to *The Kaisho (RC 37959)*. Violence, strong language, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

Free to Love RC 39352
by Ivana Trump
read by Yvonne Fair Tessler
5 cassettes
In the sequel to *For Love Alone (RC 34045)*, Czechoslovakian immigrant Katrinka has married newspaper publisher Mark van Hollen and is pregnant with his baby. This angers Katrinka's wealthy ex-husband Adam Graham, as does the revelation that Katrinka has a long-lost grown son. Believing that she purposely denied him an heir, Adam plots revenge on Katrinka. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1993.

The Hand of Chaos: The Death Gate Cycle, Volume 5 RC 39365
by Margaret Weis and Tracy Hickman
read by John Horton
3 cassettes
Haplo and Bane, the human child, have been ordered to return to Arianus. They will not have Alfred's help as he has been cast into the Labyrinth. Because the dragon-snakes have escaped through the Death Gate, there are powerful new alliances at work throughout the universe. Should Haplo risk his life to follow his master's orders? Sequel to *Serpent Mage (RC 39364)*. Violence. 1993.

A Tangled Web RC 39474
by Judith Michael
read by Laura Giannarelli
4 cassettes
In this sequel to *Deceptions (RC 21613)*, it has been a year since twins Stephanie and Sabrina swapped places for a week. Since then, Stephanie supposedly died in a boating accident and Sabrina fell in love with Stephanie's husband and continued the deception. Now Stephanie, who had amnesia, has returned, and the sisters have a complex relationship to untangle. Strong language, some violence, and some descriptions of sex. 1994.

Chanur's Legacy: A Novel of Compact Space; The Chanur Saga, Volume 5 RC 39499
by C.J. Cherryh
read by J.P. Linton
3 cassettes
Pyanfar Chanur is now the alien-ambassador for the hani, and her niece Hilfy is commander of her own ship, the *Legacy*. Like her aunt, Hilfy has had financial setbacks. So she agrees to deliver a religious artifact from one kif station to another for one million credits. But has she taken on more than she planned? Sequel to *Chanur's Homecoming (RC 39498)*. Strong language and some violence. 1992.

The Wise Woman RC 39655
by Philippa Gregory
read by Jill Ferris
4 cassettes
From an early age, Alys is apprenticed

to Morach, the wise woman of the moors, but when the chance comes, Alys takes refuge in a nearby abbey and becomes a nun. When the abbey is burned by Lord Hugo, Alys returns to live with Morach. She is soon summoned to care for Lord Hugo's father and finds herself using spells that create more havoc than good. Some strong language, some violence, and some descriptions of sex. 1992.

Chaos Mode: The Mode, Book 3
RC 39711
by Piers Anthony
read by Gary Tipton
3 cassettes
Colene, a teenage rape victim; Darius, the magical king of another reality; Nona, a free spirit; and Seqiro, a telepathic horse, continue their journey toward Darius's reality. They are joined by Burgess, a tentacled creature from an alternate Earth. Now their travels take them back to Earth, where Colene once again faces her dysfunctional family. Sequel to *Fractal Mode (RC 36986)*. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1993.

The Valiant Gunman: The House of Winslow, Book 14 RC 39752
by Gilbert Morris
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
Hope Rogers is a young widow with a son, a brother, and a father to care for. They are about to lose their ranch in Arkansas, so Hope unwillingly accepts an offer of marriage from Willis Malloy, who has bought a ranch in Wyoming. Unfortunately, Malloy is killed soon after their arrival, so Hope is again struggling to save her home. Then Dan Winslow arrives and prospects brighten. Sequel to *The Crossed Sabres (RC 39751)*. 1993.

Demons: A Novel in Three Parts
RC 39763
by Fyodor Dostoevsky
read by Christopher Walker
6 cassettes
Previously translated into English as *The Possessed*, this political and philosophical novel refers to the importation of new ideas into Russia during the late nineteenth century. Using a provincial town as the backdrop, Dostoevsky traces the development of a nihilistic society. 1873.

The Heir Apparent: Guardians of the Flame, Book 4 RC 39804
by Joel Rosenberg
read by Christopher Walker
2 cassettes
Long ago, Karl Cullinane and his friends were transported by a wizard's spell to a land where magic and dragons are real. Now he is emperor of this land, and his son Jason is coming of age. But Cullinane's success has made him some powerful enemies, foremost being the master slaver Ahrmin, who has sworn vengeance on Cullinane and his family. Sequel to *The Silver Crown (RC 39790)*. Strong language. 1987.

The Warrior Lives: Guardians of the Flame, Book 5 RC 39819
by Joel Rosenberg
read by Christopher Walker
2 cassettes
When emperor and warrior Karl Cullinane is declared dead, his son Jason takes charge of the inner circle of warriors and the dragon Ellegon to continue the fight against the evil Slavers' Guild. But as Jason struggles to fill his father's shoes, strange rumors suggest

that his father may still be alive. Strong language. Sequel to *The Heir Apparent (RC 39804)*. 1988.

The Road to Ehvenor: Guardians of the Flame, Book 6 RC 39824
by Joel Rosenberg
read by Christopher Walker
2 cassettes
Sea serpents and wolf-like creatures come out of Faerie to threaten the human lands at the border town of Ehvenor. Walter Slovotsky, one of the original guardians, and Jason Cullinane, son of the legendary warrior-emperor Karl Cullinane, now team up to lead the inner circle of warriors against the new peril. Sequel to *The Warrior Lives (RC 39819)*. Strong language. 1992.

Death Dream RC 39835
by Ben Bova
read by Don Feldheim
4 cassettes
At the request of his former colleague Jason Lowrey, Dan Santorini leaves his air force job to work for a Florida company building a virtual reality amusement park. The company also coordinates a school that uses virtual reality, where Dan's daughter is seeing scary things in her lessons. Meanwhile, the air force simulator that Jason and Dan designed seems to be killing people. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

The Money Lovers RC 39849
by Timothy Watts
read by Gary Roan
2 cassettes
Ex-model Katherine is not sure what her wealthy husband Nicky does. She's more concerned with photos of herself with a strange man who is blackmailing her. Katherine's old boyfriend beats up the man, but they don't realize that Katherine's friend Susie has framed her and is sleeping with Nicky. Nicky's attempt to scam a crazed killer out of money brings all of the players together. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

Bomber's Law RC 39889
by George V. Higgins
read by J.P. Linton
3 cassettes
Boston detective sergeant Bob Brennan knows he's in trouble. His new boss Brian Dennison assigns recently returned detective Harry Dell'Appa to "help" Brennan wind up a longtime tail he's been pulling on mobster Joey Mossi. The history of how Brennan got into this fix (and just how bad a fix it is) is revealed in rambling conversations between Dell'Appa and Brennan, Dennison, and Dell'Appa's wife. Strong language. 1993.

Shanna RC 39890
by Kathleen E. Woodiwiss
read by Barbara Caruso
5 cassettes (Reissue)
In eighteenth-century London, beautiful and passionate Shanna must marry by her twenty-first birthday. Her father arranges a marriage of convenience with a condemned prisoner. Some explicit descriptions of sex. 1977.

Moon People RC 39893
by Sondra Shulman
read by Suzanne Toren
2 cassettes
Reenie Richter loves to gamble and finances her habit by stealing from a Miami condo's elderly residents, including her own mother, who has had a stroke. When Reenie finds a bank book in a phone booth, she also "borrows" from

that account. Of course, she plans to win big and pay everyone back. On a cruise she meets Ariel Zauberman, a wealthy, corpulent, and corrupt man whose actions are even more extreme. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1994.

Strange Highways RC 39895
by Dean Koontz
read by L.J. Ganser
4 cassettes
A collection of suspenseful novelettes, short stories, and two novels. In the title novel, a forty-year-old alcoholic returns to his hometown for his father's funeral and is given an eerie chance to right the past. He is now twenty and on the trail of a satanic murderer. In "Chase," a returned Vietnam war hero is pursued by a different enemy, but no one will believe him. Strong language and violence. Bestseller 1995.

Keeping Christina RC 39896
by Sue Ellen Bridgers
read by Nona Pipes
1 cassette
Annie and Jill have been best friends forever, so when Annie befriends new student Christina, Jill is not happy. Christina begins spending time with Annie's family after play rehearsals while she waits for her ride home. After Annie has run-ins with both her boyfriend and Jill, she spends even more time with Christina. But things her new friend says and does begin to bother Annie. Was Jill right about her? For junior and senior high and older readers. 1993.

The Commodore RC 39897
by Patrick O'Brian
read by Graeme Malcolm
2 cassettes
As in sixteen previous tales in this series, Jack Aubrey and Stephen Maturin occupy center stage. Upon their return to England, the seafaring duo face several domestic adjustments. Just as life on land becomes very interesting, Captain Aubrey is ordered to Africa. But the Napoleonic Wars are not over, so another, secret order redirects the commodore to Ireland to intercept the French. Some strong language. 1994.

Angel of Death RC 40062
by Jack Higgins
read by Chuck Benson
2 cassettes
This time Brigadier Charles Ferguson and former IRA terrorist Sean Dillon, from *On Dangerous Ground (RC 38596)*, are up against an international terrorist group called January 30, now working in Ireland. They don't realize the group is fictitious, made up by Russian intelligence officers to explain away some deaths. And the Russians have unlikely assassins: a Northern Ireland undersecretary of state and a noted actress. Strong language and violence. 1995.

Cut to the Quick RC 40118
by Kate Ross
read by Fred Major
2 cassettes
In the 1820s, twenty-one-year-old Hugh Fontclair asks Maud Craddock to marry him—to prevent Maud's father from revealing a family secret. After lending a hand to an inebriated Hugh, dandy Julian Kestrel is surprised to be asked to join the stranger's wedding party. Awaiting the ceremony with the Crad-

docks and Hugh's extended family at the Fontclairs' mansion, Kestrel senses all is not well, especially when he finds a dead woman in his bed. 1993.

Diamond Mask: The Galactic Milieu Trilogy, Volume 2 RC 40120
by Julian May
read by Roy Avers
4 cassettes
Rogatien Remillard is writing his memoirs and has come to the end of the twenty-first century when the people of Earth had to decide if they wanted to become part of the Galactic Milieu. He recalls the dissension on Earth; the battle between Fury's forces and those of Jack the Bodiless; and the young Dorothea Macdonald, who wanted to save her Earth home. Sequel to *Jack the Bodiless (RC 37205)*. Strong language and violence. 1994.

Louisiana Power and Light RC 40122
by John Dufresne
read by Barry Bernson
2 cassettes
Billy Wayne Fontana comes from a long line of eccentrics. Determined to rise above his legacy, Billy Wayne studies for the priesthood but leaves upon hearing his first confession. As his story moves in and out of the present, a host of characters complete the picture of a small Louisiana town where everything and everybody seem to have a dysfunctional streak. Strong language. 1994.

Face RC 40124
by Aimee E. Liu
read by Ann Hodapp
3 cassettes
Red-haired Maibelle Chung grew up in New York's Chinatown. Her white mother coached her to take up the photojournalism career that her Chinese father had abandoned. Instead, Maibelle became a flight attendant. Now she has returned to New York to face her parents' history and the forgotten horrors behind her recurring nightmares. And, coaxed by a childhood friend, Maibelle turns back to photography. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1994.

The Sin within Her Smile RC 40132
by Jonathan Gash
read by Roy Avers
2 cassettes
At a charity auction, antique dealer Lovejoy allows himself to be sold as "Slave for a Day" to Valerie Arden—for a very healthy sum. However, his term of employment lasts more than one day when Mrs. Arden and her husband include Lovejoy in a scam that involves Celtic gold, a trip to Wales, and the murder of one of Lovejoy's close friends. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1993.

It Does Not Die: A Romance RC 40198
by Maitreyi Devi
read by Yolande Bavan
2 cassettes
A response to *Bengal Nights (RC 40150)* by Mircea Eliade, of which this author was the subject. Devi, the young daughter of a philosophy professor in India, recalls the love that she shared with one of her father's students, provoking a family crisis. When she read Eliade's account of the affair forty years later, Devi wrote her own version of the romance to expose the cultural differences that caused the rift. 1976.

Mind Prey RC 40201
by John Sandford
read by David Palmer
2 cassettes
When psychiatrist Andi Manette and her two daughters are kidnapped, everyone thinks it's for her wealthy family's money. Instead, their abductor is John Mail, a former patient who is obsessed with Manette. When Mail learns Deputy Chief Lucas Davenport, also featured in *Night Prey (RC 38595)*, is heading up the investigation, he is thrilled. Mail is a gamer who has played Davenport's computer games. Strong language and violence. Bestseller 1995.

On the Trail of the Truth: The Journals of Corrie Belle Hollister, Book 3 RC 40211
by Michael Phillips and Judith Pella
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Now that Pa and Mrs. Parrish are married, giving Corrie and her brothers and sisters a new mother, Corrie can devote more time to her writing. Corrie's story of being trapped in a blizzard earns her two dollars. But will her faith help her when she tries to uncover the truth about an election campaign on her own? Sequel to *Daughter of Grace (RC 40210)*. 1991.

The Cunning Man RC 40240
by Robertson Davies
read by Barrett Whitener
3 cassettes
A journalist writing a series of articles on old Toronto asks Dr. Hullah to reminisce about the sudden death of an Anglican priest twenty years earlier. The doctor obliges willingly, but not without recalling certain youthful events, including his encounter with a Native American medicine woman and a stint in the army, and airing his thoughts on the arts. Yet one question vexes him: why did Father Hobbes die? Some strong language. 1994.

The Way South: The Real People, Book 4 RC 40256
by Robert J. Conley
read by Erik Sandvold
1 cassette
Carrier, a Cherokee trader, and his uncle plan a trip south to the Timucua tribes, but the uncle breaks his leg and Carrier makes his first solo journey. There has been much talk about white-skinned hairy-faces who ride on the backs of beasts, and Carrier longs to find out if they are real. Soon he is drawn into the struggle to keep the Spanish from taking over the Indians' lands. Sequel to *The White Path (RC 37963)*. Violence. 1994.

Lake of the Long Sun: The Book of the Long Sun, Volume 2 RC 40292
by Gene Wolfe
read by John Horton
2 cassettes
In this sequel to *Nightside the Long Sun (RC 37909)*, religious and political upheaval continues on Whorl. Patera Silk, a young priest, and Chenille, a young prostitute, attempt to blackmail Dr. Crane in order to get the money Silk needs to save his parish. He journeys to Lake Limna, where he discovers the entrance into underground areas and learns some startling news. 1994.

The Colonists: An American Family Portrait, Book 2 RC 40320
by Jack Cavanaugh
read by John Horton
3 cassettes
Boston 1727. Benjamin Morgan, great-

grandson of Drew Morgan, is dead, and it is up to his children to maintain the bond of Christian heritage within the Morgan family. But Philip, Priscilla, and Jared do not get along with one another, and they do not care about their father's faith. Then Daniel Cole, a family friend, forces the family to confront their beliefs. Sequel to *The Puritans (RC 40319)*. 1995.

Forever, Rose RC 40331
by Robin Lee Hatcher
read by Susan Nardone
2 cassettes
Rose Townsend, eighteen, had been happy when her father was sent to prison because he could no longer hurt Ma or her. But now he is coming back to Homestead, Idaho Territory, and Rose knows she has to get away. She plans to go to San Francisco, but when Michael Rafferty, a wealthy young man who plans to build a hotel, comes to town, all of Rose's plans change. Some explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

Inferno: A Chronicle of a Distant World RC 40332
by Mike Resnick
read by Bob Kuhn
2 cassettes
When Susan Beddoes and Arthur Cartright visit the planet Faligor, they find a primitive paradise and inhabitants willing to make a treaty with the humans to open up Faligor to the galaxy. But the efforts to shape Faligor society into a planned utopia fail, and Beddoes and Cartright stand by helplessly as a succession of tyrants and wars plunge the planet into barbarism. Violence. 1993.

Memoirs of Leticia Valle RC 40348
by Rosa Chacel
read by Lucinda Hart Gonzalez
2 cassettes
Set in early twentieth-century Spain. Eleven-year-old Leticia moves with her wounded father and aunt to an isolated village where an archivist and his musician wife take over the young girl's education. Piano lessons are quickly abandoned in favor of a history class with the master. And a year later Leticia begins to record things "so they will never be erased in my memory," describing her seduction by the tutor as an "inconceivable act." 1945.

Embers RC 40355
by Antoinette Stockenberg
read by Celeste Lawson
3 cassettes
Meg Hazard, thirty-seven, needs a break from the responsibilities of running the Inn Between in Bar Harbor, Maine. For too long she has had to be the dependable one in the family, which includes her father and sister, and her brother, his wife, and their sons. But a dying man's gift of a unique dollhouse and the arrival of Tom Wyler, a Chicago policeman on leave, bring problems with secrets for Meg. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1994.

White Man's Grave RC 40359
by Richard Dooling
read by Gregory Gorton
3 cassettes
Just before Randall Killigan, a bankruptcy lawyer, receives word that his son Michael, a Peace Corps volunteer in Sierra Leone, West Africa, is missing, Randall receives a mysterious package containing a ball of black rags with a

red pipe projecting from it. As Randall and Boone Westfall, Michael's best friend, search for Michael, they become involved in African politics and witchcraft. Strong language and some violence. 1994.

Promises RC 40376
by Katherine Stone
read by Mitzi Friedlander
3 cassettes
Elizabeth, Christine, and Larisa knew each other in college. As each pursues a career, their paths cross again. Elizabeth, a doctor specializing in trauma/transplant surgery, helps her old friends and some new colleagues find love. But the promise of happiness is difficult for some to accept. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1993.

Bone Game RC 40380
by Louis Owens
read by Fred Major
2 cassettes
Cole McCurtain, a Santa Cruz, California, professor, is having nightmares about a Spanish priest killed in 1812. During the day his thoughts are on fly-fishing in New Mexico and the dismembered parts of a young woman's body that is washing up on shore. Then he learns that an old medicine woman back home in Mississippi is having the same dream. Sequel to *Sharpest Sight (RC 35279)*. Some strong language, some violence, and some descriptions of sex. 1994.

Orion and the Conqueror RC 40381
by Ben Bova
read by Bruce Huntey
2 cassettes
On a mission to preserve the timeline of history, the immortal warrior Orion is sent by the Creators to fourth-century-B.C. Macedonia to ensure that Alexander the Great conquers the ancient world. But Alexander's succession to the throne of Macedonia will require the assassination of his father, Philip II, a man whom Orion learns to admire and wishes to protect. Some strong language, some violence, and some descriptions of sex. 1994.

Shameless RC 40382
by Rosanne Bittner
read by Ann Hodapp
3 cassettes
Since their parents were killed by gringos, Emilio and Nina Juarez have made a life for themselves by stealing and selling horses on the open market. Clay Youngblood, with just a year left to serve in the army, gets an unusual assignment escorting camels from Texas to California. When his path crosses Nina's, he realizes she is not meant to be an outlaw. But can he save her from her chosen life? Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1993.

The Stars Are Also Fire RC 40383
by Poul Anderson
read by Carole Jordan Stewart
4 cassettes
Human beings and machine intelligence have evolved over the 500 years from the beginning of space exploration to the colonization of the solar system and nearby stars. Now, a machine network called the cybercosm has achieved dominance over humans in the solar system, and humans learn that the key to their independence lies in a secret kept hidden since the early days of lunar colonization. Sequel to *Harvest of Stars (RC 37776)*. 1994.

Dangerous Diversions RC 40387
by Margaret Evans Porter
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
Rosalie de Barante occasionally danced in the corps of the Paris Opera when her mother was a principal dancer with the ballet. Now her parents are dead, and for the past five years Rosalie has been supporting herself by dancing at Sadler's Wells in London. She is cautious about handsome men who show an interest in her, but there is something special about Gervase Marchant —especially when he invites her to his estate while her injured ankle heals. 1994.

Risk RC 40388
by Doris Parmett
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
Wealthy, young Claire Jameson Brice is uncomfortable that her husband Colin's main interests are increasing the business that both of their fathers built and mingling with people of their class. When Claire's father has a disfiguring car accident, she learns that he had a face-lift years ago to change his identity. Colin is enraged, but Claire finds comfort in her father's plastic surgeon. Strong language and explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

Mountain Man's Blood RC 40389
by Jess McCreede
read by Fred Major
2 cassettes
Luke McKord, known as Wolf, returns to his ranch after hunting season to find his brother and partner, Jess, murdered. Wolf doesn't know that two rustlers from a neighboring ranch staged Jess's death to look like a hanging by a local vigilante group of ranchers. When he discovers the cabin burned and Jess's Indian wife and newborn presumed dead, Wolf's grief is compounded and his famous temper unleashed. Whoever did this must die. Violence. 1990.

Tangled RC 40390
by Mary Balogh
read by Carole Jordan Stewart
3 cassettes
Rebecca—now Lady Cardwell—Julian Cardwell, and David Tavistock all grew up together, Julian having been adopted as a five-year-old orphan by David's father. Everyone had thought Rebecca would marry David, but he always seems to be getting into trouble and so it is Julian she chooses. Then Julian and David go off to the Crimean War, and only David returns. Some violence, some strong language, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

Arabian Nights and Days RC 40394
by Naguib Mahfouz
read by Fred Major
2 cassettes
First published in Arabic in 1979, this novel draws on the classic *The Thousand and One Nights* for its fragmentary tales on themes of power, corruption, political protest, serial killings, and religious extremists in a medieval middle-eastern setting. The author is a winner of the Nobel Prize for Literature. 1995.

The Voices of Heaven RC 40396
by Frederik Pohl
read by Ray Foushee
2 cassettes
Barry di Hoa lives a fairly contented life working as a fuelmaster on the Moon until he is shanghaied and ends up on the colony of Pava, light years from Earth. He finds a despondent, hard-

pressed population of colonists threatened by the unstable seismic activity of their planet and the even more sinister plans of a group of religious zealots. Descriptions of sex and some strong language. 1994.

Stone Dancer RC 40397
by Murray Smith
read by Roy Avers
3 cassettes
British spy David Jardine receives an urgent message from his Israeli undercover agent, Pomegranate, saying she is in trouble. But she is a double agent, and he is kidnapped by the Mossad. They want him to help find one of Israel's former spies, Danny Davidov, now involved with the Russians in computer scams and counterfeit activity and planning to destroy the U.S. economy. Strong language, some violence, and some descriptions of sex. 1994.

Homemade Sin RC 40398
by Kathy Hogan Trocheck
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
Ex-cop Callahan Garrity and her feisty mother run the House Mouse cleaning agency, and Callahan solves mysteries in her spare time. When her favorite cousin, Patti, is killed in a supposed attempted car jacking, the only known witness is Patti's young son, who can't communicate very well. Callahan ignores warnings not to meddle and demands help from the police and her extended family to find the killer. Strong language and violence. 1994.

Lockout RC 40401
by Lillian O'Donnell
read by Terry Hayes Sales
2 cassettes
Lieutenant Norah Mulcahaney has plenty to take her mind off her wait for approval to adopt a child. A rock star's brother is found shot to death in a recording studio that the group has rented in an exclusive lockout agreement. Meanwhile, Detective Sutphin is openly hostile to Mulcahaney since she identified him at a protest on work time. And now Mulcahaney is being accused of shooting an unarmed suspect —twice. Some strong language and some violence. 1994.

Empire Builders RC 40402
by Ben Bova
read by John Polk
3 cassettes
The enterprise of Dan Randolph, the richest and possibly the sexiest man in space, is targeted for destruction by Earth's rulers. Lured into a trap by the woman he once loved, and losing his empire, Dan escapes into the lunar underground, where he hatches a plan to regain his fortune and save Earth from an imminent ecological disaster. Sequel to *Privateers (RC 23814)*. Strong language. 1993.

Red Ink RC 40404
by Greg Dinallo
read by Roy Avers
2 cassettes
Nikolai Katkov, an alcoholic Russian journalist, and Gabriella Scotto, special agent for the U.S. Treasury Department, team up when the cases they are working on lead to the same man. Nikolai is searching for the murderer of a high-ranking government official in Moscow, and Gabby is investigating the money-laundering scheme of a Russian-born billionaire. The trail leads them through Russia, America, and Cuba. Some strong language. 1994.

The Murderers: Badge of Honor, Book 6 RC 40405
by W.E.B. Griffin
read by Ray Foushee
3 cassettes
In this sequel to *The Assassin (RC 38101)*, the Philadelphia men in blue investigate the murder of one of their own. Narcotics agent Jerome Kellog was gunned down in his own home. Kellog's estranged wife and the cop she is living with are two possible suspects. However, rumors about Kellog's being a dirty cop suggest a different story. Meanwhile, a restaurant owner pays to have his wife and partner killed. Strong language and some violence. 1994.

A Time for Love RC 40406
by Constance O'Day-Flannery
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
In the dentist's chair with her mind clouded by laughing gas, businesswoman Elle Mackenzie is suddenly transported back to 1876. She is mistaken for Jordan McCabe's mail-order bride and taken to his Texas ranch. Other twists of fate find her actually married to Jordan, and mother of two orphaned children. But fear of returning to the 1990s threatens her happiness. Some violence, some strong language, and some descriptions of sex. 1991.

The Return of Simple RC 40407
by Langston Hughes
read by Jack Fox
2 cassettes
Stories featuring the fictional character Jesse B. Semple, or Simple, drawn from Hughes's previous collections of newspaper columns and from his weekly column in the *Chicago Defender*. Perched on his Harlem barstool, Simple muses with Boyd, his longtime companion, on topics including the women in his life, wages and prices, racism, politics, birth control, Africa, and black pride. 1994.

The Goldsmith's Wife RC 40410
by Jean Plaidy
read by Janis Gray
3 cassettes
Thomas Wainstead knows he must find a husband for his daughter Jane, sixteen, or there will be trouble ahead. To that end, he invites William Shore, goldsmith, to dinner. Dinner becomes a disaster when Jane speaks ill of the king. She does not approve of the way women throw themselves at the king's feet and readily become his mistresses. But after her marriage, Jane finds her convictions challenged by an attractive merchant. 1950.

Sanctuary: A Peter Decker/Rina Lazarus Mystery RC 40457
by Faye Kellerman
read by Richard Davidson
3 cassettes
Rina Lazarus is surprised when a casual childhood acquaintance, New Yorker Honey Klein, and her children come to visit. As Rina learns about Honey's troubled marriage to a diamond dealer and member of an extremist Jewish sect, Rina's husband, LAPD detective Peter Decker, helps his partner search for another Jewish diamond dealer and his missing family. Some strong language and some violence. 1994.

Practical Magic RC 40461
by Alice Hoffman
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
Sally and Gillian Owens are raised by their unusual aunts and cruelly teased

by the other children. The older Owens sisters cast spells at twilight for women having problems with love. Gillian leaves home as soon as possible, breaking hearts along the way. Sensible Sally stays, marries, and has two daughters, until tragedy sends her packing, too. Now an event has gathered the Owens women together again. Strong language and descriptions of sex. 1995.

From Time to Time RC 40463
by Jack Finney
read by James DeLotel
2 cassettes
Sequel to *Time and Again (RC 23888)*. Ruben Prien is still working on a secret research program, even though the project has lost its funding. He wants to send Simon Morley, a man capable of moving about in time, back to 1912. Simon's assignment is to find Z, a man sent on a crucial diplomatic mission to prevent World War I. But Z is booked on the *Titanic*, and Simon must prevent its sinking. Strong language. Bestseller 1995.

Go-Ahead Rider RC 40465
by Robert J. Conley
read by Fred Major
1 cassette
When he returns to the Cherokee Nation after studying the classics at Harvard, half-Cherokee George Tanner is surprised to be offered a job by Go-Ahead Rider. Former Civil War captain Rider is now sheriff in the capital city of Tahlequah. Tanner soon gets the opportunity to learn police work at Rider's side when a visiting council member is killed and a local is framed for his murder. Some strong language and some violence. 1990.

The Wings of a Falcon RC 40468
by Cynthia Voigt
read by David Palmer
3 cassettes
A nameless boy and his loyal friend Griff endure a harsh captivity on the Damall's island, but the boy takes strength in believing he has a great destiny. He names himself Oriel and escapes with Griff. They work for a saltmaker for three years and then are captured by barbarian invaders. Escaping once more, they pursue Oriel's destiny. Sequel to *On Fortune's Wheel (RC 39439)*. Some violence. For junior and senior high readers. 1993.

Captain Hawaii RC 40472
by Anthony Dana Arkin
read by John Polk
2 cassettes
Captain Dan's Zodiac Pirate Tours sound exciting to Arron, who is a nature lover. Unlike his parents, he didn't come to Hawaii just to sit by the pool. And he is pleased that Kate, the captain's daughter, is pretty too. But then events erupt when a rival tour company tries to put Captain Dan out of business, involving Kate and Arron in the process. For junior and senior high readers. 1994.

A Touch of Panic: A Karl Alberg Mystery RC 40473
by L.R. Wright
read by Roy Avers
2 cassettes
Staff Sergeant Karl Alberg of the Mounties in the small Canadian town of Sechelt is dealing with a string of unusual burglaries and a rash of one-man picket lines. He is unaware that his live-in lover, librarian Cassandra Mitchell, has been chosen as the perfect mate by

an appealing but deranged library science professor. Strong language, some violence, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

Track the Man Down RC 40474
by T.V. Olsen
read by Ray Foushee
2 cassettes (Reissue)
"Big" Torrey witnesses a brutal killing and forgets the ironclad rule of keeping out of the white man's way. He decides to make the murderer pay for his crime and prepares for the worst by loading his rusty 1860 Army Colt and harnessing his big, tall mare. Strong language and violence. 1975.

Tackett and the Saloon Keeper: Tackett Trilogy, Book 3 RC 40478
by Lyn Nofziger
read by John Polk
2 cassettes
On his way to Arizona and the woman he loves, Tackett stops in a Colorado town. Playing poker with an old acquaintance, normally unlucky Tackett wins the man's saloon. With it he inherits the mysterious woman manager and a sophisticated Indian. Tackett's stint in business is interrupted by a bank robbery and a passel of trouble. Sequel to *Tackett and the Teacher (RC 38640)*. Strong language and violence. 1994.

Crazy for Lovin' You RC 40479
by Lisa G. Brown
read by Carole Jordan Stewart
3 cassettes
Twenty-year-old Rilla Carroll is summoned home from boarding school because her mother, Katherine, is dying. Rilla was sent away at sixteen when Katherine married her late husband's brother, Henry. Rilla's anger over Henry's taking over the mill that should be hers is tempered by her growing attraction to Jubal Kane. Oddly, Henry has hired Kane, who was once imprisoned for robbing the mill. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

The Jaguar Princess RC 40480
by Clare Bell
read by Bruce Huntey
3 cassettes
Stolen from her people as a child, Mixcatl ends up in Tenochtitlan at the center of the Aztec empire. She works as a slave in a school for priests, but when her talent for glyph-writing emerges, she is made an apprentice scribe. A descendant of the Children of the Jaguar, Mixcatl discovers other unusual powers that will tie her destiny to powerful men who wish to transform the Aztec civilization. For high school and older readers. 1993.

The Court of Three Sisters RC 40481
by Marianne Willman
read by Ann Hodapp
3 cassettes
Richard Fairchild, archaeologist, and his three daughters—Thea, Summer, and Fanny—are on the island of Ellysia in the Mediterranean, where he hopes to locate an ancient city. They are joined by Colin McCallum, who has come to Ellysia to try to right some past wrongs. Colin and Summer are immediately drawn to each other, but Summer is haunted by a past that causes her to fear closeness to anyone. Some descriptions of sex. 1994.

The Peanut Butter Murders RC 40483
by Corinne Holt Sawyer
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
After *Murder by Owl Light (RC 40500)*,

widows Caledonia Wingate and Angela Benbow are thrilled when their favorite policeman asks for help with another investigation. Alexander Lightfoot was run over by a train, and the police need to rule out murder. Since Lightfoot's fiancée is the widows' neighbor at their retirement community, Lt. Martinez asks them to snoop for clues. With the help of a bird and another death, they solve the case. 1993.

The Case of the Singing Skirt
RC 40484
by Erle Stanley Gardner
read by Ray Foushee
2 cassettes (Reissue)
When casino singer Ellen Robb is asked by her boss to help cheat customer Helman Ellis, she says no. Ellen's boss immediately frames her for theft and fires her. She seeks help from Perry Mason, who scares the boss into making amends. Meanwhile, Ellis's wife, Nadine, accuses Ellen of ruining her marriage and demands her husband's money back from the casino. When Nadine is killed, it looks like Ellen has been set up again. Some strong language. 1959.

My Soul to Take RC 40485
by Steven Spruill
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
Resident neurosurgeon Suzannah Lord is involved in implanting microchips in the brains of blind people to restore sight. After she is removed from neurosurgery by her vindictive boss, Lord learns that a famous artist and other volunteers with the chips are experiencing troubling visions and want them removed. But others want to exploit this ability to see the future. Strong language, violence, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

Fast Talk on a Slow Track RC 40486
by Rita Williams-Garcia
read by Barry Bernson
1 cassette
Denzel Watson is headed for Princeton, and he expects to do just fine. After all, he was valedictorian of his senior class, and he never had to study very much. But he has had to spend six weeks of the summer attending the Princeton Experience program for minorities, and now Denzel wonders if he is cut out for college. However, his job for the remainder of the summer will help him see life from a new perspective. For junior and senior high readers. 1991.

There Was a Little Girl RC 40487
by Ed McBain
read by Ray Foushee
2 cassettes
Still shaken from his last criminal case, *Mary, Mary (RC 37193)*, attorney Matthew Hope has switched to real estate law. But while negotiating the purchase of land for a circus, Hope is shot. As he lies unconscious in the hospital, Hope's friends and colleagues frantically retrace his last steps among the circus people and find links to the murder of a circus midget. Strong language and some violence. 1994.

High Steel RC 40489
by Jack C. Haldeman and Jack Dann
read by James DeLotel
2 cassettes
Native American John Stranger is conscripted by the Trans-United Space Engineering Corporation to help build an industrial complex in orbit above Earth. But even in this high-tech environment, John retains his tribal spirituality and

exhibits special powers of mind that may be the key to Earth's freedom from the megacorporations. Strong language and descriptions of sex. For senior high and older readers. 1993.

Murder by Owl Light RC 40500
by Corinne Holt Sawyer
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
Large Caledonia Wingate, in her caftans and pearls, and her friend Angela Benbow, a "cube-shaped little pepper pot," are both admirals' widows who fancy themselves detectives. When two men are killed at their retirement home, the women want to help with the case, much to the dismay of the police. The only clue is that the victims, a delivery man and a gardener, were both murdered in the early evening owl light. Some strong language and some violence. 1992.

Caress RC 40511
by Rosanne Bittner
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
3 cassettes
Blake Hastings hates Nick West, who he knows is responsible for the death of Blake's antislavery father. When Hastings tracks West to Lawrence, Kansas, his only mission is revenge. But upon his arrival in town, Hastings nearly runs down Samantha Walters, a preacher's daughter who is distributing antislavery pamphlets, and soon he has a new mission. Strong language and explicit descriptions of sex. 1992.

Secrets of the Heart RC 40513
by Mary Balogh
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
3 cassettes
Sarah Fifield and her brother Graham, who has limited reasoning ability, are orphaned early and grow up with their cousin Winston Bowen. When Sarah is a teenager, Winston begins forcing himself on her by threatening to reveal that Graham may have pushed a boy to his death. Shame and anxiety haunt Sarah throughout her life. Some explicit descriptions of sex. 1988.

The Nightingale Legacy RC 40514
by Catherine Coulter
read by Jill Ferris
3 cassettes
Frederic North Nightingale is Lord Chilton, an army friend of Marcus Wyndham from *The Wyndham Legacy (RC 37930)*. Returned to Cornwall as magistrate, North is shocked to discover the murdered body of Eleanor Penrose. Meanwhile, Eleanor's niece Caroline in South Downs is fighting off the evil advances of her guardian. When she tries to escape to her aunt Ellie, Caroline enters North's life. Strong language, violence, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

Bewitching Minx RC 40515
by Janis Laden
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
4 cassettes
They were both staying overnight at an inn, and from the very first time they met, Penelope Larchmont and Damon Southerby, the marquis of Penderleigh, had been at odds with one another—for he mistook her for a common trollop. When her uncle, an old friend of his father, is suddenly struck with apoplexy, the marquis offers his nearby castle for convalescence. Little does he know the troubles he is about to bring upon himself. Some descriptions of sex. 1988.

The Carpetbaggers RC 40517
by Harold Robbins
read by Roy Avers
5 cassettes
A study of the rise to power of Jonas Cord, as a man haunted by a demanding father and a man committed to success, regardless of the consequences. Prequel to *The Raiders (RC 40518)*. Strong language and explicit descriptions of sex. 1961.

The Raiders RC 40518
by Harold Robbins
read by Roy Avers
3 cassettes
Twenty years after *The Carpetbaggers (RC 40517)*, wealthy Jonas Cord is still regretting never telling his late father he loved him and never having a son to express his love to. Now, while Cord is on the run from federal marshals who want him to take a business risk by testifying in front of Congress, his wife is divorcing him. Then he learns he has a grown son. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1995.

The Life and Adventures of Martin Chuzzlewit RC 40528
by Charles Dickens
read by Patrick Horgan
7 cassettes (Reissue)
Old Chuzzlewit, surrounded by a selfish family, sees the same traits forming in his grandson Martin and kicks him out of the house. Penniless, young Martin makes his way to America to seek his fortune. After a series of difficult experiences, he is cured of his greed. Other members of the Chuzzlewit clan have their own selfish goals, including a plot to murder Old Chuzzlewit. 1844.

Time and Chance RC 40532
by Gwen Davenport
read by Barbara Caruso
3 cassettes
At the time of Queen Victoria's ascension to the throne, Maria Wrox-Hampden gives birth to twins, an event that leads to a string of complications for the family. The boy twin is given to a recently widowed aunt to raise, and the girl twin is stolen by gypsies. Then an older sister gets herself in trouble, and there are also several deaths and a rape before the family is finally sorted out by Maria's oldest child and heir, Arthur. 1993.

Have His Carcase RC 40534
by Dorothy L. Sayers
read by Tom Martin
3 cassettes
Acquitted of murdering her lover and in need of a change, Harriet Vane heads for the beach. But long before she can walk off her tension, Harriet finds the body of a young man with his throat slit lying on the beach. She takes a picture of the corpse, retrieves the contents of his pockets and a razor by his side, and sets off to notify the police. The body washes out with the tide, and the next day her good friend Lord Peter Wimsey appears. 1932.

Dear Emily RC 40549
by Fern Michaels
read by Ann Hodapp
2 cassettes
Emily, in love with Ian Thorn since the ninth grade, works hard to save money so Ian can finish college before they get married. Now after several years of marriage, Ian is dumping her. Having spent most of her life focusing on Ian and his career, Emily is lost. Can she

survive on her own? Emily has plenty of spunk and is soon on the way to a remarkable recovery. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1995.

Don't Cry Now RC 40550
by Joy Fielding
read by Carole Jordan Stewart
3 cassettes
High school teacher Bonnie Wheeler is surprised to be awakened by an urgent call from her husband's alcoholic ex-wife, Joan, who insists Bonnie and her little girl are in danger. When Bonnie goes to meet Joan that noon, she finds her dead. As Bonnie, her husband, her convict brother, and Joan's two teenage children come under police scrutiny, Bonnie desperately searches for clues about Joan's warning. Strong language and explicit descriptions of sex. 1995.

Of Love and Other Demons RC 40555
by Gabriel García Márquez
read by Barry Bernson
1 cassette
Set in a South American seaport town during the colonial era, with its sharp division between the rich and poor classes. Twelve-year-old Sierva Maria de Todos Los Angeles is bitten by a rabid dog and handed over to the church for exorcism, where she is adored by a bookish priest. Their forbidden love becomes a symbol of barriers breaking and cultures blending. Bestseller 1995.

Lord Harry RC 40556
by Catherine Coulter
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
Henrietta Rolland, posing as Lord Harry Monteith, is determined to kill Jason Cavander, marquess of Oberlon, whom she holds responsible for her brother's death at Waterloo. But when Henrietta faces Jason in a duel, she cannot kill him, even though he has wounded her. The situation takes a dramatic turn when Jason takes Henrietta to his home to treat her wounds. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1980.

Thin Air RC 40561
by Robert B. Parker
read by Ray Foushee
2 cassettes
Spenser's longtime friend, police detective Frank Belson, has sought out Spenser because he needs someone who will understand his problem. His young bride, Lisa St. Claire, has disappeared without a trace. At first Belson wants no help, but after Belson is shot, Spenser begins searching for Lisa. He uncovers a rather unsavory past and learns that Lisa is being held by her sociopathic ex-lover. Strong language. Bestseller 1995.

Playing for the Ashes RC 40562
by Elizabeth George
read by Mitzi Friedlander
5 cassettes
Detective Inspector Thomas Lynley and Detective Sergeant Barbara Havers are assigned the murder case of cricket star Kenneth Fleming. Separated from his wife, Fleming was living with his doting former teacher, Miriam Whitelaw, and having an affair with Gabriella Patten. In a parallel story, Whitelaw's daughter, now dying of a debilitating disease, describes her own wild youth. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1994.

Miriam's Well RC 40564
by Lois Ruby
read by John Polk
2 cassettes
Miriam Pelham's religious beliefs do not allow her to wear makeup or jewelry or to allow medical intervention during illnesses. Adam Bergen, a Jewish classmate, is not keen on religion. When their English teacher assigns them to work together on a poetry assignment and Miriam has a fainting spell in class that lands her in the hospital, both Adam and Miriam begin to question their beliefs. For high school and older readers. 1993.

Ah, Treachery! RC 40565
by Ross Thomas
read by Ray Foushee
2 cassettes
News of an evil covert operation in El Salvador is about to hit the media. Ex-major Edd ("Twodees") Partain, now a bodyguard to a political campaign fundraiser, helps the Victims of Military Intelligence Treachery (VOMIT) search for evidence of the Central American debacle, a missing $1.2 million, and the solution to several murders. Strong language and some violence. 1994.

Single Tree RC 40566
by Gary D. Svee
read by Ray Foushee
2 cassettes
Newly arrived in Montana, Samuel Wilders leaves his wife and children in the shade of a single cottonwood tree to search for a horse to buy. Instead, he is confronted by rancher Tolkien and lynched as a rustler. Horrified, Tolkien's young Cree ranch hand, Runs Toward, quits his job. He finds the starving Wilders family and repeats a kindness that he received as a child. Strong language and violence. 1994.

Deep Sleep RC 40569
by Frances Fyfield
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
Just when pharmacist Pip Carlton tires of his annoying wife, she dies in her sleep. This leaves him free to pursue his voluptuous assistant, Kim Perry. But Kim's ex-husband, Duncan, a detective constable, is still furtively watching Kim's movements. And, though recovering from surgery, prosecuter Helen West has questions about Mrs. Carlton's death. Strong language and violence. 1991.

City of Widows RC 40570
by Loren D. Estleman
read by Fred Major
2 cassettes
Page Murdock is tired of being involved with the law in Montana and is moving to New Mexico where he has bought part interest in a saloon, the Apache Princess. Montana judge Harlan Blackthorne suggests that Murdock get a letter of reference from New Mexico's governor to pave the way with Sheriff Baronet. But there is an ulterior motive behind Blackthorne's suggestion that Murdock befriend Baronet. Strong language. 1994.

Flatland: A Romance of Many Dimensions by A. Square RC 40571
by Edwin A. Abbott
read by James DeLotel
1 cassette
An imaginative science fiction tale about life in a two-dimensional world where women are straight lines and polygonal priests terrorize the populace. 1952.

Rivers of Time RC 40578
by L. Sprague de Camp
read by James DeLotel
2 cassettes
Nine stories in which Reginald Rivers or his partner, the Raja, whisks groups of people back in time to hunt for dinosaurs. In "Crocamander Quest," they unfortunately transport a woman who wants to bed all the men in the party. In "The Satanic Illusion," a fundamentalist minister wants to disprove evolution, and in "The Honeymoon Dragon," Rivers takes his wife on a trip for their twentieth anniversary. Some strong language. 1993.

The Devil's Own RC 40579
by Sandra Brown
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
When Kerry Bishop needs help getting nine orphans out of Montenegro, she decides to seduce a mercenary. Picking the most dangerous-looking drunken man in the cantina, Kerry lures him home only to learn he is American photojournalist Linc O'Neal. After Linc reluctantly agrees to escort the group through fifty miles of jungle, he mistakenly concludes that Kerry is an American nun. Strong language and explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1987.

Winter Rain RC 40580
by Terry C. Johnston
read by Roy Avers
3 cassettes
The Civil War has been over for three years, and Jonah Hook has been reunited with his daughter, but he is still looking for his wife and two sons, abducted by a renegade band of Mormons. As he tracks his family across the Great Plains, he discovers that although his wife is still with the Mormons, his sons have joined a Comanche tribe. Sequel to *Cry of the Hawk (RC 38639)*. Violence, strong language, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1993.

Quiller Salamander RC 40581
by Adam Hall
read by James DeLotel
2 cassettes
Quiller is sent to Cambodia on a mission so secret that his London bureau cannot know the details. He is to find out how Pol Pot plans to return the Khmer Rouge to power. Quiller trusts neither his home "control" nor his field director. When he meets Gabrielle, a photographer for a Phnom Penh newspaper, he realizes that she is the key to his fate and that of a millions others. Violence and strong language. 1994.

The Key to Midnight RC 40582
by Dean Koontz
read by Ray Foushee
2 cassettes
Singer and nightclub owner Joanna Rand has been living in Japan for twelve years. She has also been suffering nightly dreams about a man with an artificial hand and a hypodermic needle. When vacationing private investigator Alex Hunter enters her club and her life, he recognizes her immediately as the long-lost daughter of a U.S. senator. Is she hiding her true identity or was she brainwashed? Strong language and violence. Bestseller 1979.

You Belong to Me RC 40583
by Johanna Lindsey
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
Sequel to *Once a Princess (RC 33036)*. Count Vasili Petroff is surprised to

learn that he, like his cousin, Stefan Barony, has been betrothed to someone. Supposedly Vasili's father, dead for fourteen years, made a secret agreement with Baron Constantin Rubliov for their children to marry. Both the count and the blunt, unconventional Alexandra are appalled. Strong language and explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1994.

Good Night, Mr. Holmes RC 40584
by Carole Nelson Douglas
read by Patricia Kilgarriff
3 cassettes
Nell Huxleigh, a parson's daughter, relates this tale of Irene Adler, opera singer and detective. Miss Adler, who has the uncanny ability to outsmart even Sherlock Holmes, becomes a detective early in her operatic career. Her sleuthing results in encounters with Victorian personages such as Charles Lewis Tiffany; Oscar Wilde; Antonin Dvorak; and the mysterious Godfrey Norton, who helps her search for a skein of diamonds. 1990.

Hidden Riches RC 40588
by Nora Roberts
read by Suzanne Toren
3 cassettes
Dora Conroy owns a small antique shop in Philadelphia. Following a buying trip to an auction, where she acquires a curious assortment of items from a newly arrived shipment, Dora becomes the target of break-ins and attempted murder. Fortunately her actor father rents the apartment across from Dora to ex-policeman Jed Skimmerhorn. Some violence, some strong language, and some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1994.

The Informers RC 40590
by Bret Easton Ellis
read by Grant Albrecht
2 cassettes
Collection of thirteen interrelated stories set in Los Angeles in the 1980s, each with a different first-person narrator. The protagonists use drugs, drive expensive cars, and wear designer clothes as they attempt unsuccessfully to relate to lovers, friends, parents, children, and casual one-night acquaintances. Violence, strong language, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

Menaced Assassin RC 40592
by Joe Gores
read by Nick Sullivan
2 cassettes
The hit man calls himself "Raptor" and uses the telephone to take credit for the latest murder and to annoy Stagnaro, the detective on this case. Molly Dalton became his victim soon after she made the connection between a computer file, her boss and lover, and the Mob. Others followed, and now Stagnaro is determined to protect Molly's husband, a scientist who develops an interest in the roots of human evil. Violence, strong language, and descriptions of sex. 1994.

Faith RC 40594
by Len Deighton
read by Graeme Malcolm
2 cassettes
Bernard Samson and his wife, Fiona, are back together. But before they can sort out their love lives, Bernard is off to East Germany on a secret mission, and Fiona is back at the London office of the British Secret Intelligence Service. There, Fiona becomes Bernard's boss's right-hand agent. Then, Bernard's mission fails, and only faith can

help him understand his place in the agency and with the two women he loves. Strong language. 1994.

Loyalties: A Novel of World War II RC 40596
by Thomas Fleming
read by John Horton
4 cassettes
American and German families cross paths over and over during World War II. Berthe von Hoffmann, whose husband commands a U-boat, joins a secret Nazi resistance movement, jeopardizing her husband's career. Jonathan Talbot, who is outspoken against Roosevelt, commands a submarine. His wife is a war correspondent. All are forced to make critical moral decisions. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1994.

Murder in Mesopotamia RC 40597
by Agatha Christie
read by Patricia Kilgarriff
2 cassettes
Hercule Poirot, the lively Belgian detective, becomes involved in some Middle East archaeological explorations while solving the mysterious death of a woman in a room that no murderer could possibly enter. 1936.

Show Business Kills RC 40598
by Iris Rainer Dart
read by Nona Pipes
2 cassettes
Four forty-nine-year-old women have remained friends since majoring in drama in college. Jan is a soap-opera actress, Marly does commercials, Ellen is a producer, and Rose is a screenwriter. Another classmate, Betty, has been bitterly following their careers. When she comes to Hollywood, her first request for help backfires, and Jan is shot. Jan's friends don't realize they are next. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1995.

Recalled to Life: A Dalziel/Pascoe Mystery RC 40602
by Reginald Hill
read by George Holmes
3 cassettes
When the murder conviction of Cissy Kohler is overturned after thirty years, detectives Dalziel and Pascoe reopen the case. Did the original investigation give special treatment to the important people at Mickledore Hall the night Pamela Westropp was found dead in a locked room? Dalziel follows Kohler to New York, while Pascoe tracks down survivors in Yorkshire. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. 1992.

Fashionably Late RC 40604
by Olivia Goldsmith
read by Catherine Byers
4 cassettes
The day after fortyish fashion designer Karen Kahn wins a prestigious award, she learns that she can never have children. Adopted at four herself, Karen begins to contemplate adopting a baby and also considers tracking down her own birth mother. Her husband and business partner, Jeffrey, is unenthusiastic about either plan, but agrees to help if Karen supports a business deal. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1994.

Miami: A Saga RC 40608
by Evelyn Wilde Mayerson
read by Suzanne Toren
3 cassettes
The author, a Miami native, portrays the city's history from the end of the Civil War and the coming of the carpet-

baggers to the arrival of Hurricane Andrew in 1992. This tale of five families through five generations includes Native Americans, blacks, whites, Latinos, and Jews whose diverse cultures intertwine to form the international atmosphere that is Miami in the 1990s. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1994.

The Wisdom of Stones RC 40611
by Greg Matthews
read by Graeme Malcolm
3 cassettes
Clive Bagnall, twenty-nine, is glad to leave teaching behind when he inherits Redlands in the Northern Territory of Australia. Once there, Clive is befriended by Doug Farrands, who helps him begin the adjustment to a new land. Clive also meets Valerie, a cousin, who questions his inheritance rights. The three start to work the ranch together, then World War II begins and brings big changes. Strong language and some violence. 1994.

The Witness RC 40616
by Sandra Brown
read by Mary Woods
3 cassettes
After the crash, Kendall Deaton takes her baby to safety and then drags the driver out of the car. When he awakens with amnesia, Kendall claims he is her husband. He realizes she is probably lying and appears to be running from someone, so he decides to stick close to her. Meanwhile, Kendall thinks back over the bizarre, frightening months she spent after marrying into the Burnwood family. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1995.

Lightning RC 40617
by Danielle Steel
read by Yvonne Fair Tessler
3 cassettes
Alex and Sam Parker have been happily married for seventeen years and have a wonderful little girl named Annabelle. Alex is a successful lawyer for a top-notch New York law firm, and Sam is a venture capitalist. Then a routine mammogram abruptly alters their lives. Alex has to have a mastectomy, and Sam is unable to cope with her illness. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1995.

Star Trek Generations RC 40623
by J.M. Dillard
read by Bob Askey
2 cassettes
On the maiden voyage of the new *Enterprise 1701-B*, Captain Kirk is trapped in a timeless nexus when an energy ribbon hits the ship. Seventy-eight years later, Captain Picard of the *Enterprise 1701-D* is also propelled into the nexus while pursuing an evil scientist. Inside the nexus, Kirk and Picard meet and team up to stop the scientist from killing millions of people. A Star Trek novel based on the motion picture. Bestseller 1994.

Forbidden RC 40626
by Elizabeth Lowell
read by Mary Woods
2 cassettes
At Amber's birth, Cassandra the Learned prophesied that Amber would not be able to bear the touch of others until she met a man with no name. Years later when an unconscious man is brought to her, Amber realizes the prophecy is coming true. But along with the rapture of falling in love comes

fear—is this man with no memory really an enemy of Amber's people? And will there be death as predicted? Some violence and explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1993.

Forget Me Not RC 40628
by Elizabeth Lowell
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Alana Reeves is missing six days of her life. She believes the only way she will ever recall exactly what happened is to revisit the site on Wyoming's Broken Mountain where she was found badly bruised in mind and body. She knows that her husband died during those days on the mountain, and she knows that her only true love found her and brought her to safety. But the events are gone. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1984.

Lord of Falcon Ridge RC 40631
by Catherine Coulter
read by Pam Ward
2 cassettes
After *Lord of Raven's Peak (RC 38900)* and *Lord of Hawkfell Island (RC 37333)*, the now freed Cleve finally remembers his life before being kidnapped into slavery. He is the half-Viking son of the late lord of Falcon Ridge. But before he can further investigate his past, Cleve must rescue kidnapped Chessa, the Irish princess who is supposed to marry William of Normandy. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1995.

The Dreamgivers: The Wells Fargo Trail, Book 1 RC 40665
by Jim Walker
read by Jim Zeiger
2 cassettes
When the Civil War ended, Zachary Cobb headed to California and became an undercover agent for Wells Fargo. His current assignment takes him into the Mohave Desert to investigate a series of stagecoach robberies. There Cobb finds more than he bargained for: railroad workers involved in the opium trade and a young boy who has lost both his parents. 1994.

Snow Falling on Cedars RC 40688
by David Guterson
read by Richard Davidson
3 cassettes
Set on an island in Puget Sound shortly after World War II. Carl Heine has drowned, and Kabuo Miyomoto, a fellow fisherman, is charged with Heine's murder. Covering the trial for the local newspaper is Ishmael Chambers, who was the first love of Hatsue, the defendant's wife. As the trial gets under way, the courtroom and the entire once peaceful community are tense with suspicion and prejudice. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1994.

"L" Is for Lawless RC 40689
by Sue Grafton
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
Following *"K" Is for Killer (RC 39664)*, P.I. Kinsey Millhone has a week off to help with the wedding of her landlord Henry's elderly brother. But Henry has another favor to ask. Neighbor Johnny Lee has passed away, and his relatives are trying to get the army to pay for the funeral, but the army has no record of Mr. Lee. The case takes Kinsey on a cross-country chase for a hidden treasure. Some strong language and some violence. Bestseller 1995.

Dangerous to Know RC 40693
by Barbara Taylor Bradford
read by Yvonne Fair Tessler
2 cassettes
Journalist Vivienne Trent had been married to billionaire Sebastian Locke for a number of years. Their divorce was amicable, and they remained good friends. When they had lunch together just a few days ago, Sebastian seemed happier than he had in years. So why has he committed suicide? As Vivienne searches for the answer, she uncovers startling information about the Lockes. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1995.

Telluride RC 40711
by Susan Clark Schofield
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Zachary Coleman Jr. left Telluride when his mother died and his girlfriend, Catharine, rejected him. Now, fourteen years later, he returns to find his father's murderers. His sister Gretel has become the lover of Johnny Torres, their father's longtime friend, and the three work to identify those responsible for the death of Coleman Sr. shortly after he struck gold. Strong language, explicit descriptions of sex, and some violence. 1993.

SeaFire RC 40716
by John Gardner
read by David Hartley-Margolin
2 cassettes
Once again James Bond of the Double-Oh Section of the SIS is attempting to prevent a disaster. This time he and his girlfriend, Fredericka von Grüsse, are tracking down Sir Maxwell Tarn, a billionaire who deals in illicit arms. But then Tarn and his wife are killed in an auto accident. Or were they? Bond finds himself tracking Tarn across Israel, Puerto Rico, England, and Germany. Strong language, violence, and some descriptions of sex. 1994.

The Hidden City: The Tamuli, Book 3 RC 40719
by David Eddings
read by Erik Sandvold
4 cassettes
Pandion Knight Sparhawk won his battle with the evil god Cyrgon, but now his wife, Queen Ehlana, has been kidnapped by Cyrgon's evil followers. The price for getting her back is the powerful Bhelliom jewel. Sparhawk gathers his men together to again fight Cyrgon. But this time Cyrgon has called upon a power normally forbidden to him—the Klael. Sequel to *The Shining Ones (RC 37334)*. Some violence and some strong language. Bestseller 1994.

Private Screening RC 40723
by Richard North Patterson
read by Chuck Benson
3 cassettes
During the past year Tony Lord, an attorney, defended the man accused of killing presidential candidate James Kilcannon at a concert given by the candidate's lover, Stacy Tarrant. Now Tarrant's manager and the wife of a newspaper magnate have been kidnapped by a man calling himself Phoenix, and Lord must track down Phoenix to prevent a killing on nationwide television. Violence, some strong language, and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1985.

Risky Assignment: Live! from Brentwood High, Book 1 RC 40727
by Judy Baer
read by Erik Sandvold
1 cassette
Darby Ellison dreams of becoming a news reporter, so she is thrilled to join a high school program producing stories about other teens and teen issues and airing them on TV. Darby's group focuses on a teenaged emergency medical technician, and Darby gets to know the team members, especially Jake Saunders. For high school and older readers. 1994.

After Dark RC 40734
by Phillip Margolin
read by David Hartley-Margolin
2 cassettes
Shortly after his clerk is murdered, Oregon Justice Robert Griffen is killed by a car bomb. His estranged wife, prosecuting attorney Abbie Griffen, who has also been stalked, is shocked when the police arrest her for his murder. She turns to star defense attorney Matthew Reynolds, who is thrilled to represent the woman he has secretly been obsessed with for some time. Strong language, violence, and descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1995.

Just for Kicks RC 40754
by Paul Baczewski
read by Gregory Gorton
1 cassette
Brandon Lewis, narrator of this satire on sports, is manager of a high school football team on which one brother is the star quarterback, another is an offensive lineman, and a sister is the punter and field-goal kicker. The coach is an unpredictable fanatic who can be brutal. But Brandon decides to call a few plays of his own, putting his neck on the line and gambling with the state championship. For high school and older readers. 1990.

Wyoming Wench RC 40756
by Paul Ledd
read by Clay Teunis
1 cassette
Shelter Morgan usually takes a few days off after he finishes a tough assignment. But this time his vacation leads to a trail of action when he picks up Ellen Blye. Ellen has been ambushed by hired guns who are determined to run her out of the horse-wrangling business. She warns Shelter about becoming involved, but now his interest is aroused. Some descriptions of sex. 1989.

The Law at Randado RC 40761
by Elmore Leonard
read by Robert Sams
2 cassettes
Kirby Frye is the young deputy in the Arizona town of Randado. While Frye's out of town, the Citizens Committee decides it doesn't want the county to try the town's criminals. It will try them itself. When Frye returns, he learns two of his prisoners were lynched. After his first attempt to punish the Committee gets him run out of town, Frye enlists the help of his boss, the sheriff of Pima County. Violence and strong language. 1954.

The Proud and the Free RC 40764
by Janet Dailey
read by Mary Kane
2 cassettes
In 1830 Eliza Hall arrives in the Georgia Cherokee Nation to tutor the children of Will Gordon. She is surprised to find Cherokees own grand plantations and slaves, but there are signs that this

may soon end. Gordon's daughter Temple is adamant that her family will never leave the land, but after five years of harassment, Temple's husband is among the "traitors" that sign a new treaty agreeing to move west. Violence and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

Baby, Would I Lie? A Romance of the Ozarks RC 40765
by Donald E. Westlake
read by Laura Giannarelli
2 cassettes
When country singer Ray Jones is accused of murder, the press descends on Branson, Missouri. Sara Joslyn, from *Trust Me on This (RC 28000)*, now reports for the weekly magazine *Trend: The Magazine for the Way We Live This Instant*. Her editor and lover, Jack, wants her to write an exposé on the way the tabloid *Galaxy* gathers news, but Sara gets an inside scoop on the Jones story instead. Strong language. 1994.

The Shadow of the Pomegranate RC 40766
by Jean Plaidy
read by Ilona Dulaski
2 cassettes
After years of being the young widow of Arthur, Katharine of Aragon is pleased to be married to Arthur's younger brother Henry, the king of England. She is twenty-five to his twenty and still of childbearing age. She becomes pregnant over and over, but when no child survives, Henry blames her. Meanwhile, now that Katharine's mother, Isabella, is dead, greedy Ferdinand tries to take advantage of his daughter's position. 1962.

A Royal Murder RC 40768
by Elliott Roosevelt
read by Michele Schaeffer
2 cassettes
Eleanor Roosevelt does not like knowing state secrets, but sometimes she must. Such is the occasion in September 1940, when the president sends Eleanor to the Bahamas to meet with the duke and duchess of Windsor and persuade them not to come to the States. But what is meant to be a somewhat simple, though important, mission becomes much more when a Swedish royal is murdered and a Nazi spy ring is uncovered. Some strong language. 1994.

Captain Swing: A Love Story RC 40770
by Larry Duplechan
read by Bob Moore
1 cassette
Black singer Johnnie Ray Rousseau returns to Louisiana, where he hopes for a deathbed reconciliation with his father, who disowned him when Johnnie admitted to being gay. The trip elicits painful memories of the death of his lover, Keith, less than a year earlier, and Johnnie must also struggle with his attraction to his cousin Nigel. Strong language and descriptions of sex. 1993.

Nemesis RC 40774
by Agatha Christie
read by Carmella Ross
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Miss Marple receives a letter from a wealthy businessman whom she knew briefly and whose death she has recently read about. His letter gives the code word "Nemesis" and states that he will bequeath a large sum of money to her if she will investigate a certain crime. 1971.

Dead Men Don't Ski RC 40775
by Patricia Moyes
read by George Holmes
2 cassettes
It's January and Chief Inspector Henry Tibbett and his wife Emmy are on a skiing holiday in the Italian Alps. But it's no restful vacation when the inspector discovers some of the hotel guests are part of an international smuggling ring, and a dead man is riding the ski lift. 1959.

Cast a Spell RC 40779
by Bette Pesetsky
read by Suzanne Toren
2 cassettes
Raemunde Howard was deserted as an infant by her unwed mother and recently by her father as well. When Rae is eleven, she is taken to New York to live with her grandmother, Minnie, and her two cousins, Carrie and Lila. Rae, who is obsessed with magic and the occult, turns her conjuring tricks into a career as Miz Magic. Years later, Carrie, now a writer, becomes jealous and attempts to defame Rae. Strong language. 1993.

Remembering Babylon RC 40780
by David Malouf
read by Graeme Malcolm
2 cassettes
By the author of *The Great World (RC 34100)*. Malouf's story recalls the time when Australia was being settled by the British, who remained wary of the primitive original inhabitants. The three McIvor children happen upon Gemmy Fairley, a white man raised by aborigines, and their lives are changed forever. It seems that everyone has an opinion about what to do with Gemmy, without considering what his presence means to them. Some strong language. 1993.

The Bird in the Tree: The Eliot Heritage, Book 1 RC 40782
by Elizabeth Goudge
read by Tom Martin
2 cassettes (Reissue)
In the 1930s, Damerosehay, a charming old house on the Hampshire coast, and a close-knit family are threatened when the grandson and daughter-in-law of the owner fall in love and plan to marry. Prequel to *Pilgrim's Inn (RC 12807)* and *The Heart of the Family (RC 13768)*. 1940.

Liliane: Resurrection of the Daughter RC 40794
by Ntozake Shange
read by Connie Winston
2 cassettes
Liliane, an African American artist, is haunted by her mother's death. Her story comes together like pieces of a puzzle in chapters narrated by Liliane, her childhood friends, and her lovers, alternating with sessions between Liliane and her analyst. 1994.

Joshua and the City RC 40799
by Joseph F. Girzone
read by Gordon Gould
1 cassette
Following *Joshua in the Holy Land (RC 35711)*, Joshua is now in New York City. He walks the city's streets and first meets Charlene, a prostitute, who begins to follow him. As Joshua continues to visit different places in the city, he meets and heals many people. But perhaps his biggest success will be the revitalization of parts of the city that were once on the brink of despair. 1995.

Season of the Machete RC 40801
by James Patterson
read by Nick Sullivan
1 cassette
In 1979, the United States enters an alliance with the Charles Forlenza family of the West Coast. They hire mercenaries Damian and Carrie Rose to handle a problem in the Caribbean. The Roses' machete murdering spree is blamed on local Colonel Dred, until Special Forces sergeant-turned-bartender Peter Macdonald has the misfortune of seeing Damian Rose in the act. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1977.

Xanadu 3 RC 40815
edited by Jane Yolen
read by Carole Jordan Stewart
2 cassettes
Editor Yolen describes this third collection of twenty-five stories and eleven poems as an "all-purpose fantasy mélange." In "Mollusk Dreams," a woman dreams of a refuge like a snail's shell. "Jo's Hair" relates the adventures of the mane Jo March sold in *Little Women*. The poem "Swan/Princess" tells of a princess becoming a swan and then a princess again. Some strong language. 1995.

Edsel: A Novel of Detroit RC 40817
by Loren D. Estleman
read by Ray Foushee
2 cassettes
Estleman's fourth Detroit novel, following *King of the Corner (RC 37202)*, is set in the 1950s. Former newspaperman Connie Minor now works in advertising and has been asked to secretly create an ad campaign for the new Edsel car. But Minor runs into problems when some people, especially the UAW leader, begin to think Minor is a spy for management or the competition. Strong language and some violence. 1995.

Never Doubt I Love: Tales of the Jewelled Men, Volume 5 RC 40818
by Patricia Veryan
read by Bruce Huntey
2 cassettes
London, 1748. Miss Zoe Grainger's stepmother has arranged for Zoe to live at Yerville Hall with Lady Clara Buttershaw and her invalid sister, Lady Julia Yerville. Zoe has only been there a few days when she meets their cousin, Perry Cranford. As the days advance, Zoe and Perry begin to realize there is a reason they have been thrown together, and it involves the League of Jewelled Men. Sequel to *A Shadow's Bliss (RC 38603)*. 1995.

Martians in Maggody: An Arly Hanks Mystery RC 40819
by Joan Hess
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
When moonshiner Raz Buchanon finds odd circles in his field, police chief Arly Hanks warns the townsfolk not to make Maggody the butt of jokes again by spreading crazy stories about UFOs. But the tiny town is soon booming, filled with UFO watchers and tales of Big Foot. Amidst all the craziness, Arly has to deal with a murder. Strong language. 1994.

Condors: The Wings of War, Book 3 RC 40820
by Ray Rosenbaum
read by Roy Avers
3 cassettes
When World War II ends, Ross Colyer is unable to acquire a regular commission in the service, thanks to a not-so-

friendly U.S. senator. So he starts an air freight company and contracts with the Jewish Relief Fund to assist in the establishment of Jews in Palestine. But he soon learns the Jewish Relief Fund is involved in illegal practices. Sequel to *Hawks (RC 39688)*. Strong language, some violence, and some descriptions of sex. 1995.

Love Bite RC 40823
by Sherry Gottlieb
read by Mary Woods
2 cassettes
At fifty, Risha Cadigan is not old for a vampire, and since the death of her lover and creator, Gregor, she has been lonely. Between random feedings and working on her photography, Risha begins dating through the personal ads, but with disappointing results. Meanwhile, L.A. cop Jace Levy is investigating Risha's trail of corpses and worrying about having Huntington's disease. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

Fallen Heroes RC 41005
by Dafydd ab Hugh
read by James DeLotel
2 cassettes
Quark, the Ferengi barkeep of *Deep Space Nine*, acquires a strange artifact in one of his nefarious business deals. Security Chief Odo, always hoping to catch the Ferengi in some illegal act, demands to be present when the artifact is opened. The object propels Quark and Odo three days into the future, where they find the aftermath of a brutal attack against *Deep Space Nine* by unknown aliens. Violence. A Star Trek: *Deep Space Nine* novel. 1994.

Escape the Night RC 41077
by Richard North Patterson
read by Mary Kane
3 cassettes
In 1959, publishing heir Charles Carey and his wife die in a car accident. Their young son Peter is rescued from the wreck by Charles's brother, Phillip. Peter, rather than Phillip, later inherits fifty-one percent of the business. Now grown, Peter is trying to decipher his nightmares, unaware that someone is listening to his every word—just as with his father. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. Best-seller 1983.

The Afterlife Diet RC 41080
by Daniel Pinkwater
read by Laura Giannarelli
2 cassettes
When Milton Cramer dies, he wakes up in a heaven that seems to be a resort in the Catskills. Even before he looks up his relatives, Milton takes a tour of the realm and checks out the food. Soon he realizes that he's surrounded by fat people and that the food is "literally to die for." But the other people can be annoying, and (for reasons that emerge) Milton eventually finds himself a disembodied spirit. Strong language. 1995.

Brother to Shadows RC 41082
by Andre Norton
read by Vanessa Maroney
3 cassettes
Cast out from the Shadow Brotherhood to which he has dedicated his life, young Jofre wanders Asborgan alone until he meets Zurzal, a reptilian off-worlder on a quest for powerful knowledge. Jofre decides to seek his fortune as Zurzal's bodyguard and soon finds his job difficult because many in the

galaxy want to acquire Zurzal's secrets for their own evil purposes. For high school and older readers. 1993.

Epiphany RC 41084
by Ferrol Sams
read by Christopher Walker
2 cassettes
Three stories exploring relationships. In the title story, a doctor frustrated by bureaucracy finds solace with a blue-collar patient who must deal with racism. "Harmony Ain't Easy" looks at the mutual regard of a couple married for forty years when disaster strikes on a plant-gathering mission. "Relative and Absolute" recounts an interview between teenagers and the town's oldest citizen. Strong language. 1994.

Green Fires: Assault on Eden; a Novel of the Ecuadorian Rainforest RC 41086
by Marnie Mueller
read by Ilona Dulaski
2 cassettes
Ecuador, 1969. Six years ago, Annie Saunders was a Peace Corps volunteer in Guayaquil, Ecuador. Now she and her German husband, Kai Schmidt, have returned to the area on their honeymoon. As they travel into the tropical rainforest where Annie once worked, Annie must come to terms with events in the past as well as problems the natives are now having with worldwide oil companies. Strong language. 1994.

The Lasko Tangent RC 41088
by Richard North Patterson
read by Gary Telles
2 cassettes
U.S. Attorney Christopher Paget is a member of the Economic Crimes Commission in Washington, D.C. He believes that William Lasko, a Korean war hero and close friend of the president, is involved in shady deals and money laundering. Paget's one source of information, Alexander Lehman, has promised to tell all but is killed in a hit-and-run accident before he can. Prequel to *Degree of Guilt (RC 35883)*. Strong language and some violence. 1979.

Selected Stories RC 41096
by Adolfo Bioy Casares
read by Peter Gil
2 cassettes
Fifteen stories of human passion and endeavor in the midst of irony and surrealism. Includes "Souvenir from the Mountains," in which a man sees his idealized love debauched in a hallucinatory nightmare; "Trio," in which frustrated love leads to obsession and madness; and "Resurrection," in which a man finds an ironic solace after the death of his lover. The Argentinian author is winner of the 1990 Cervantes Prize. 1994.

The Bookman's Wake: A Mystery with Cliff Janeway RC 41100
by John Dunning
read by Gary Telles
3 cassettes
Denver bookdealer Cliff Janeway of *Booked to Die (RC 35454)* is asked by an ex-cop colleague to go to Seattle and bring back Eleanor Rigby, who jumped bail after being charged with stealing a rare book. When Cliff arrives he finds himself immersed in numerous unsolved murder cases—all connected to rare books. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. 1995.

Books for Children

Books listed in this issue of *Talking Book Topics* were recently sent to cooperating libraries. The complete collection contains books by many authors on fiction and nonfiction subjects, including animals, geography, nature, mystery, sports, and others. Contact your cooperating library to learn more about the wide range of books available in the collection.

In this listing, cassette books, labeled with the code RC, play at 15/16 ips. To order books, fill out the order form and send it to your cooperating library.

Cassettes Nonfiction

The Russian Revolution RC 38845
by John M. Dunn
read by Suzanne Toren
1 cassette
Account of the 1917 revolution that followed a long period when extremes of wealth and poverty separated the Russian people. But the rebellion against a government that tolerated almost impossible conditions for all but the ruling class led to a different kind of power and terror under men like Lenin and Stalin, who created the Soviet Union and established communism. Violence. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 1994.

Wet Weather: Rain Showers and Snowfall RC 38925
by Jonathan D. Kahl
read by Marilyn Gleason
1 cassette
Without precipitation—water from the sky—life on Earth would not be possible. The authors discuss where precipitation comes from, how it forms, where it falls, and the benefits and occasional disasters caused by wet weather. For grades 4-7 and older readers. 1992.

Hand, Heart, and Mind: The Story of the Education of America's Deaf People RC 38936
by Lou Ann Walker
read by Dick Jenkins
1 cassette
Surveys the education of deaf people since ancient times. The author describes discrimination; early schools in Europe; and the feud between the Gallaudets, father and son, and Alexander Graham Bell over the methods used to educate deaf people in America. She also discusses the 1988 demand by deaf students for a deaf president at Gallaudet University. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 1994.

Is There a Woman in the House . . . or Senate? RC 38954
by Bryna J. Fireside
read by Marilyn Gleason
1 cassette
In 1916 Jeannette Rankin of Montana became the first woman elected to Congress. Nevertheless, many people continued to believe that Congress was for men only. The author presents ten women from various ethnic, racial, and religious backgrounds who have served in Congress, including Margaret Chase Smith, Bella Abzug, Barbara Jordan, Geraldine Ferraro, and Nancy Kassebaum. For grades 4-7 and older readers. 1994.

Colonial American Medicine RC 38977
by Susan Neiburg Terkel
read by Maxine Wasserman
1 cassette
For American colonists in the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries, medical treatments were often as dangerous

as the diseases themselves. Not only was little known of anatomy, but training and certification were not required in order to practice medicine. The author also contrasts the colonists' medical beliefs with those of Native Americans and discusses the toll of disease on Revolutionary War soldiers. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 1993.

Girls and Young Women Leading the Way: Twenty True Stories about Leadership RC 38979

by Frances A. Karnes and Suzanne M. Bean
read by Marilyn Gleason
1 cassette
Stories of twenty girls and women who became leaders in their schools and communities. Isis Johnson began collecting food for the homeless when she was five and was honored at the age of eight by President George Bush. First-grader Julie Briley initiated a "save the bluebirds" campaign. Includes a leadership handbook. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 1993.

They Wrote Their Own Headlines: American Women Journalists RC 38980

by Nancy Whitelaw
read by Marilyn Gleason
1 cassette
The author examines the life and work of seven women journalists. Included are Ida M. Tarbell, an activist who began her career in the late nineteenth century; Dorothy Thompson, a foreign correspondent from the 1920s to the 1950s; Margaret Bourke-White, a photojournalist for *Life* magazine; and Alice Dunnigan, the first black woman to receive White House accreditation. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 1994.

Calamity Jane: Her Life and Her Legend RC 38997

by Doris Faber
read by Miriam Wagner
1 cassette
Truth and legend appear to blend in accounts of historical figure Calamity Jane, born Martha Jane Cannary in Missouri in 1852. As a teenager she rejected prevailing nineteenth-century roles for women to become a brash, trousers-wearing rowdy who worked at tough jobs like the Pony Express, and who loved to brag about her real and imagined exploits. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 1992.

The Young Reader's Companion to American History RC 39737

edited by John A. Garraty
read by Janis Gray
11 cassettes
More than 150 authors and educators contributed to this compendium of information. Brief articles cover topics from "abortion" to "Ziegfeld, Florenz." Contributors discuss politics, history, science, the arts, society, and individuals. Subjects such as poverty, homelessness, drugs, racism, immigration, and the Olympics are also treated. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 1994.

It's Perfectly Normal: A Book about Changing Bodies, Growing Up, Sex, and Sexual Health RC 40488

by Robie H. Harris
read by Madelyn Buzzard
1 cassette
What is sex? How does my body change as I reach puberty, and what is puberty? How are babies made, and how can I

make an intelligent decision about having a baby? Why does my body look different from my friends'? Harris answers these questions and also discusses birth control, abortion, homosexuality, sexual abuse, and sexually transmitted diseases. For grades 4-7 and older readers. 1994.

America Alive: A History RC 40494
by Jean Karl
read by Butch Hoover
1 cassette
A brief overview of United States history. The author begins with the ancestors of Native Americans, who found their way here long before the first Europeans came. Then Karl discusses colonists and later immigrants; shows how people joined to make one nation, even though some insisted on holding others in slavery; and describes how Americans dealt with problems like war and unemployment. For grades 4-7. 1994.

The Royal Kingdoms of Ghana, Mali, and Songhay: Life in Medieval Africa RC 40660
by Patricia and Fredrick McKissack
read by Butch Hoover
1 cassette
The authors focus on the fertile strip of land south of the Sahara Desert between the Red Sea and the Atlantic Ocean. They tell how the region prospered between A.D. 500 and 1700, while Europe was embroiled in constant war. They use oral tradition and current scholarly research to explain the origins, customs, people, and political history of the civilizations that flourished in the region. For grades 6-9. 1994.

Pablo Casals RC 40708
by Hedda Garza
read by Jake Williams
1 cassette
Pablo means "peace" in Catalonia, now a part of Spain, where Casals was born. And peace would become as important as music to this gifted child, who sang before he spoke. First Casals took piano lessons, but he was so excited when he heard a cello that he switched to that instrument. Later his fame as a musician brought attention to the oppressiveness of fascism, and his talent brought joy to the world. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 1993.

Our Solar System RC 40713
by Seymour Simon
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
1 cassette
A tour of the planets and some of the moons, asteroids, meteoroids, and comets that travel around the sun. First stop is the sun, the star nearest to the planet Earth and the center of the solar system. Visits to Mercury, Venus, Mars, Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, Neptune, and Pluto follow. The trip ends with a look at the very small worlds that form the asteroid belt, the sometimes spectacular comets, and streaking meteors. For grades 2-4 and older readers. 1992.

Cesar Chavez RC 40724
by Consuelo Rodriguez
read by Jim Zeiger
1 cassette
When Cesar Chavez was a boy in Yuma, Arizona, where he was born, he learned that it was his duty to help the poor. But he also learned what it meant to be poor when his Mexican American family became migrant farm workers during the depression. Such first-hand

experiences made him determined to organize farm workers without resorting to violence and to get a contract to ensure decent working conditions and fair wages. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 1991.

Gloria Estefan RC 40725
by Rebecca Stefoff
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
1 cassette
Two-year-old Gloria Fajardo immigrated from Cuba to the United States with her family in 1959. Her future husband, Emilio Estefan, also from Cuba, formed a Miami band in 1974. Gloria soon joined the band, which was renamed the Miami Sound Machine. Initially singing in Spanish, Gloria helped propel the band into stardom when she began singing in English in the 1980s. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 1991.

Lee Trevino RC 40733
by Thomas W. Gilbert
read by Jim Zeiger
1 cassette
Born in Texas in 1939 and raised by his single mother, Trevino endured a lonely life as a child. He dropped out of school, played a little golf, and wandered aimlessly until he enlisted in the marines. More disciplined after his discharge in 1960, Trevino again took up golf and within seven years was playing and winning professionally. Gilbert chronicles Trevino's rise to fame and his successes on both the PGA and Senior Tours. For grades 5-8. 1992.

Rita Moreno RC 40736
by Susan Suntree
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
1 cassette
Born in Puerto Rico in 1931, Moreno moved with her mother to New York as a young child. Suntree tells how Moreno became an actress and was the first Hispanic woman to win an Oscar, which she received for her role in the film *West Side Story*. Also discusses Moreno's work on stage, in television, and in recordings that led to her being the first performer to win all four top entertainment awards. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 1993.

Plácido Domingo RC 40737
by Rebecca Stefoff
read by Jake Williams
1 cassette
Music has always been a major part of this world-famous tenor's life. Born in Madrid, Spain, Domingo was eight years old when his parents moved the family to Mexico. There Domingo studied music at the conservatory. He married young, became a father, and soon was looking for work. But success came quickly to the determined, talented singer, who later added film acting and conducting to his operatic career. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 1992.

You Come Too: Favorite Poems for Young Readers RC 40790
by Robert Frost
read by Gordon Gould
1 cassette (Reissue)
Some of the New England poet's best-known works containing some of his famous lines. For example: "I sha'n't be gone long.—You come too," "I have been one acquainted with the night," "but I have promises to keep, and miles to go before I sleep," "good fences make good neighbors," and "two roads diverged in a wood, and I—I took the one less traveled by, and that has made all the difference." For grades 5-8. 1959.

Pablo Casals: Cellist of Conscience RC 41040
by Jim Hargrove
read by Gordon Gould
1 cassette
Life of a distinguished cellist. Born in tiny Catalonia, now part of Spain, Casals was as fluent in languages as he was with his chosen musical instrument. He also protested against undemocratic governments, living most of his life in exile. But his strongest opinions were about music, on which he left his mark by organizing festivals, teaching, composing, conducting, and performing. For grades 6-9. 1991.

Dangerous Legacy: The Babies of Drug-Taking Parents RC 41083
by Ben Sonder
read by Michele Schaeffer
1 cassette
Traces the problem of babies born already drug-addicted, pointing out the possible effects of specific drugs. Sonder offers hope for children who may benefit from treatment, but warns of the permanent damage (including birth defects and death) that parents who use drugs can inflict on their unborn children. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 1994.

Mark Twain RC 41094
by Skip Press
read by Clay Teunis
1 cassette
Mark Twain was the pen name of Samuel Langhorne Clemens (1835–1910), the most popular author of his day. He was equally famous as a speaker, and easily recognized by his appearance. Even if he had never written anything besides *The Adventures of Tom Sawyer (RC 15223)* or *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn (RC 16414)*, he would be remembered for his sense of humor, especially about life in America. For grades 4-7 and older readers. 1994.

The Days before Now: An Autobiographical Note by Margaret Wise Brown RC 41097
by Margaret Wise Brown
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
The author of *Goodnight Moon (RC 24603)* describes scenes from her own childhood. She remembers the street in New York where she lived until she was four years old. Then she moved to the country on Long Island and had wonderful pets. And when she became a writer, she moved back to the city, but every summer she escaped to the woods with her favorite companions. For grades K-3. 1994.

Cassettes Fiction

Kentucky Dreamer: Golden Filly, Book 4 RC 38832
by Lauraine Snelling
read by Robin Miles
1 cassette
Trish Evanston and Spitfire won the Santa Anita Derby and now they plan to head for the Kentucky Derby. But a few days later, Trish is hurt and one of her friends dies when several horses go down during a race. And now her mother is sick as well as her dad, and Spitfire's leg is continuing to get warm. Is their luck running out? Sequel to *Go for the Glory (RC 38831)*. For grades 6-9. 1991.

Call for Courage: Golden Filly, Book 5 RC 38833
by Lauraine Snelling
read by Robin Miles
1 cassette
Tricia Evanston's dream has come true: she and her horse, Spitfire, have won the Kentucky Derby. Now they are headed for the Preakness in Baltimore. But Tricia is concerned about her father, who seems to be growing weaker day by day. As they go to the race, the family members put their faith in God, knowing God will be with them. Sequel to *Kentucky Dreamer (RC 38832)*. For grades 6-9. 1992.

My Brother Sam Is Dead RC 38902
by James Lincoln and Christopher Collier
read by Arnie Warren
1 cassette (Reissue)
As the Revolutionary War tragically divides the Meeker family, Tim finds himself caught between his father's loyalty to the king and his brother's fierce support of the rebel cause. For grades 6-9. 1974.

The Latchkey Dog RC 38993
by Mary Jane Auch
read by Phil Regensdorf
1 cassette
After Sam's father moves out and his mother goes to work full-time, the family's golden retriever is left alone all day and grows lonely. Amber expresses her frustration by barking for hours, annoying the neighbors. Mom decides that Amber must go. In desperation Sam tries everything, including keeping Amber up all night in the hope that she will sleep during the day. The results are disastrous and hilarious. For grades 3-6. 1994.

The Magic Circle RC 39230
by Donna Jo Napoli
read by Celeste Lawson
1 cassette
A midwife-cum-sorceress known simply as the Ugly One narrates this riveting tale of how, tricked by the devil's minions, she loses her gifts of healing and is forced to become a witch. Escaping from the stake, she ekes out a solitary existence in an enchanted forest, where she has decorated her house with sweets in memory of her beloved daughter. Then she takes in two wandering children named Hansel and Gretel. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 1993.

The Bossy Gallito (El Gallo de Bodas): A Traditional Cuban Folktale RC 40244
retold by Lucía M. González
read by Lucinda Hart Gonzalez
1 cassette
In this Cuban folktale told in English and Spanish, a bossy little rooster, elegantly attired, dirties his beak on the way to the wedding of his uncle, the parrot. He orders the grass to clean his beak, but to no avail. So the bossy gallito orders a goat to eat the grass, and a stick to hit the goat, and so forth, all without results. He then politely asks the sun to return a favor. For grades K-3 and older readers. 1994.

Kiss the Dust RC 40358
by Elizabeth Laird
read by Kimberly Schraf
2 cassettes
Spring, 1984. Tara, twelve, and her friend Leila are on their way home from school when they witness an attack on four high school boys standing outside a mosque. Events quickly lead Tara's family to flee their home in Iraq

to find refuge in Iran and finally in England. Because Tara's mother becomes extremely ill, Tara must take responsibility for her mother and her three-year-old sister. Some violence. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 1991.

One Morning in Maine RC 40408
by Robert McCloskey
read by Madelyn Buzzard
1 cassette
One morning in Maine, Sal jumps out of bed and hurries to get dressed. Today she and her baby sister Jane are going with their father to Buck's Harbor. As Sal is brushing her teeth, she discovers a loose tooth. Before the morning is over her tooth has fallen out, but she can't find it. Now she won't be able to put it under her pillow and make a wish. She wonders if her wish will come true anyway. For grades K-3. 1952.

Lombardo's Law RC 40411
by Ellen Wittlinger
read by Janis Gray
1 cassette
Fifteen-year-old Justine is a loner, especially since moving to Massachusetts. She likes to read and watch old movies. When Heather Lombardo moves in across the street, Justine has more in common with Heather's eighth-grader brother, Mike. Mike thinks no one he likes could like his ditzy sister: "It's Lombardo's Law." Justine is confused about her growing feelings for Mike as the two friends film their own movie. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 1993.

Everett Anderson's Goodbye RC 40475
by Lucille Clifton
read by Bruce Huntey
1 cassette
A poem describes the pain Everett Anderson goes through after his father dies. He is angry and depressed, and he tries to make a bargain to bring his father back. But eventually Everett accepts the situation, knowing he will always love his daddy. For grades K-3. 1983.

Wonderful Alexander and the Catwings RC 40491
by Ursula K. Le Guin
read by Janis Gray
1 cassette
Sequel to *Catwings Return (RC 37397)*. Alexander, the oldest kitten in his family, decides to explore the world. Soon he is threatened by a truck, chased by dogs, stuck up a tree, and lost. Then Jane, a little black kitten with wings, comes along. Alexander follows her home and meets more winged cats. Now he wants to find a way to repay the Catwing family for their kindness. For grades 2-4. 1994.

The Light on Hogback Hill RC 40492
by Cynthia DeFelice
read by Carole Jordan Stewart
1 cassette
Hadley Patterson's mom works late as a waitress, leaving Hadley to worry about the horrible hag on Hogback Hill, who supposedly turns people into cats. When new sixth-grader Josh Carter invites Hadley over for dinner, she happily accepts. But Josh insists they find out about the hag by visiting her on Halloween! For grades 3-6. 1993.

Dear Peter Rabbit RC 40493
by Alma Flor Ada
read by Andy Chappell
1 cassette
Remember the three pigs who built houses of straw, sticks, and bricks? Goldilocks, who broke Baby Bear's chair? Peter Rabbit, who barely escaped

from Mr. McGregor's garden? Now Pig One wants Peter Rabbit to come to a housewarming at his new straw house, and the Bears have invited Goldilocks for cake. Peter Rabbit has a cold from hiding in Mr. McGregor's watering can, but finally they all gather for a party at Goldilocks's house. For grades K-3. 1994.

The Turnip RC 40495
by Walter de la Mare
read by Bruce Huntey
1 cassette
There is a mean rich man who wants to become so powerful that the king will invite him to dinner. The mean man has a half brother who is a kind-hearted farmer. After the farmer gives food to a mysterious beggar, he finds a wonderful, enormous turnip growing in his field and takes it to the king, who is delighted. Now the jealous mean man must find something better than the turnip to impress the king. Retelling of a tale from the Brothers Grimm. For grades 1-3. 1927.

Martha Speaks RC 40496
by Susan Meddaugh
read by Madelyn Buzzard
1 cassette
Helen has a dog named Martha, and one day when Helen doesn't want to eat her alphabet soup, she gives it to Martha. Then a strange thing happens. Instead of going to Martha's stomach, the soup goes to Martha's brain. Suddenly Martha can talk, and she doesn't stop talking for days—until her family tells her to "Shut up!" Before long they are very sorry. Prequel to *Martha Calling (RC 40816)*. For preschool-grade 2. 1992.

Swamp Angel RC 40499
by Anne Isaacs
read by Madelyn Buzzard
1 cassette
When Angelica Longrider was born on August 1, 1815, she was "scarcely taller than her mother." By the age of two, she had built her own log cabin, and when she was twelve, she rescued a whole wagon train from Dejection Swamp and got the name Swamp Angel. But Angelica was best known for her fight with Thundering Tarnation, the biggest and meanest bear anyone had ever known. PRINT/BRAILLE. For grades K-3. 1994.

Stacey vs. the BSC RC 40558
by Ann M. Martin
read by Madelyn Buzzard
1 cassette
Stacey likes kids and enjoys babysitting, but lately her activities outside the Babysitters Club seem to be growing more important. She has been late to several meetings, and on several occasions she has begged someone else to take her babysitting job at the last minute because she has had an "emergency." Is Stacey getting too old for the club? For grades 4-7. 1995.

Uncle Daney's Way RC 40563
by Jessie Haas
read by Bruce Huntey
1 cassette
Twelve-year-old Cole is not too happy when his parents inform him that Uncle Daney is coming to live with them; their trailer is already crowded. Uncle uses a wheelchair, and shocks everyone when he brings Nip, a huge horse, with him too. Who can afford to feed such an animal? But as Uncle Daney makes plans for Nip, Cole gets excited about the re-

cent additions to their farm. Soon it seems that both Cole and Nip learn some lessons. For grades 4-7. 1994.

A Taste of Blackberries RC 40567
by Doris Buchanan Smith
read by Jack Fox
1 cassette (Reissue)
A young boy describes his feelings at the sudden death of Jamie, his best friend. The boy experiences shock and disbelief, then guilt and anger, until his "main sadness" is over. For grades 4-7. 1973.

Fat Chance RC 40568
by Lesléa Newman
read by Janis Gray
2 cassettes
When eighth-grader Judi Liebowitz gets a class assignment to keep a private diary, she begins pouring out her feelings about her weight. Judi weighs 127 pounds but her mother won't let her diet. When Judi's best friend begins dating the boy that Judi likes, she takes the advice of model-like Nancy Pratt and begins forcing herself to vomit her meals. Then something happens that makes Judi realize a fat chance and a slim chance are the same thing. For grades 6-9. 1994.

Ludie's Song RC 40576
by Dirlie Herlihy
read by Madelyn Buzzard
1 cassette
In 1950s Georgia, young Marty is visiting her aunt and uncle. One morning she hears wailing and sees an odd-looking black woman limping up the drive. Her aunt explains that Ludie is the daughter of her washerwoman and was burnt in a fire, but Marty is sure she is a witch. Hoping to find proof, Marty instead comes to realize that Ludie is intelligent and talented. But Marty's family has warned her against making friends with black people. For grades 5-8. 1988.

Juliet's Story RC 40577
by William Trevor
read by Janis Gray
1 cassette
Juliet's favorite thing to do in Tipperary is to listen to Paddy Old's stories. When he dies, Juliet is so sad and depressed that her parents plan a surprise for her birthday. Grandmamma comes to take Juliet on a long trip. Juliet is surprised to discover that Grandmamma also tells stories—ones that Juliet feels a part of. But best of all, Juliet gets a chance to experience her own stories. For grades 4-7. 1991.

Indiana Jones and the Peril at Delphi RC 40622
by Rob MacGregor
read by Bob Askey
2 cassettes
Indy is being used by Dorian, a beautiful lady with big ideas. After sixteen centuries, an earthquake has exposed the ruins of Delphi in Greece. Dorian wants Indy to go down to the bottom of the pit in search of the secret source of the ancient oracle's powers. But Dorian also has other plans for Indy. Some strong language. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 1991.

Something Terrible Happened RC 40625
by Barbara Ann Porte
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
1 cassette
Gillian is ten when her world begins to change. Her father, who was white, died when she was two, and she and her island mother live near her grandmother in New York. Suddenly Gillian's

mother, discovering that she has AIDS, moves with Gillian to Florida, and they become homeless. Then Gillian is sent to live with her father's family in Tennessee. Believing this arrangement is temporary, she tries to adjust, but then her mother dies. For grades 6-9. 1994.

Soccer Shock RC 40667
by Donna Jo Napoli
read by Michael Pinney
1 cassette
A week into the new school year, Adam is having problems. The coach has warned him that if he doesn't concentrate he won't make the soccer team. And classmate Kim keeps bothering him. Then Adam is almost struck by lightning, and he begins to hear voices. When he finally realizes the voices are his freckles talking to each other, Adam decides to put this new-found skill to use. For grades 3-6. 1991.

Daisy-Head Mayzie RC 40706
by Dr. Seuss
read by Pam Ward
1 cassette
The Cat in the Hat narrates this tale of Mayzie McGrew. One day while sitting in class, Mayzie feels a small twitch on the top of her head, and when she looks up, a daisy is sprouting right out of it. What is she to do? For grades K-3. Bestseller 1994.

Babri RC 40707
by James Jacobs
read by Pam Ward
1 cassette
Baby tiger Babri and his mother live in a fern glade at the edge of the jungle. Babri's mother often says to him, "My young child, whom I love more than sunshine, never go into the jungle alone." But one day while Babri is supposed to be napping, a mouse runs by and Babri follows. He meets squirrel, frog, fish, and even snake and crocodile—before elephant returns him safely to his mother. For grades K-3. 1994.

Disney's Pocahontas RC 40714
by Disney Productions
read by Pam Ward
1 cassette
An account of the meeting between Captain John Smith, who has come to America with other Englishmen in search of gold and riches, and Pocahontas, daughter of Chief Powhatan, who is trying to follow the path marked out in her dreams. For grades 3-6. 1995.

Scrub Dog of Alaska RC 40721
by Walt Morey
read by Jim Zeiger
1 cassette (Reissue)
Sled-dog trainer Smiley Jackson almost kills the runt of the new litter, but the puppy manages to escape. Dave Martin adopts Scrub and helps him develop into a strong, handsome dog, only to have Jackson demand Scrub's return. For grades 4-7. 1971.

Norman the Doorman RC 40726
by Don Freeman
read by Pam Ward
1 cassette (Reissue)
Norman is a mouse who works as a doorman for the basement of an art museum. He gives other mice tours of the paintings and sculpture in storage and practices his own art. His biggest wish is to go see the art on display upstairs, but he is afraid the guard will catch him. Then one day, Norman sees a sign for a sculpture contest. For preschool-grade 2. 1959.

Mandy Sue Day RC 40732
by Roberta Karim
read by Pam Ward
1 cassette
Mandy Sue's farmer father promises each of the children one day without chores, and today is Mandy Sue Day. She spends it riding and talking to her horse, Ben, and although Mandy Sue is blind, she knows her best friend's ears flick back to hear her. For grades K-3. 1994.

Superfudge RC 40741
by Judy Blume
read by Erik Sandvold
1 cassette (Reissue)
Not only does Peter's brother Fudge grow more troublesome with age, but Peter's parents make things worse by producing a baby girl. After Fudge tries unsuccessfully to sell the baby or give her away, he plasters her with trading stamps in hopes of exchanging her for something good. Sequel to *Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing (RC 39643)*. For grades 3-6. 1980.

The Secret Funeral of Slim Jim the Snake RC 40755
by Elvira Woodruff
read by Ilona Dulaski
1 cassette
When Nick was little he lost his parents in an accident. Sometimes Nick, now ten, thinks about becoming a truck driver when he grows up, just like his dad. And sometimes he is unhappy about living with his strict uncle above a funeral parlor, because the other children tease him. Then Bernard's pet snake dies, and Nick offers to arrange a secret funeral and learns that his uncle is not so bad after all. For grades 3-6. 1993.

Zeke Pippin RC 40757
by William Steig
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
Zeke Pippin is a pig who found a harmonica that dropped out of a garbage truck. He learns how to play the harmonica, but when he proudly gives a concert for his family they all doze off. Zeke is very angry, and he packs some snacks and runs away. But he soon learns his harmonica is magical—everyone falls asleep when he plays! For preschool-grade 2. 1994.

The Grand Escape RC 40758
by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor
read by Michele Schaeffer
1 cassette
Marco and Polo are four-year-old brother cats who live with the Neals. The cats understand English, and Marco has taught himself to read. The Neals' veterinarian told them to keep the cats indoors, but after Marco sneaks out to the yard one day, he yearns to live outside on a ranch. After much planning, the two escape. They encounter a community of tough alley cats before finally getting their chance to see a ranch. For grades 3-6. 1993.

Moon Rope: A Peruvian Folktale RC 40759
by Lois Ehlert
read by Maria Pino and Mary Kane
1 cassette
A Peruvian folktale in Spanish and in English. Fox asks Mole to climb to the moon with him on a grass rope. But half way up, Mole lets go and falls back to earth. To hide his embarrassment from all the other animals, Mole hides in a deep tunnel and now comes out only at night. For preschool-grade 2. 1992.

Brighty of the Grand Canyon RC 40762
by Marguerite Henry
read by Christopher Walker
1 cassette (Reissue)
Brighty, a freedom-loving little burro, befriends a kind old prospector. Brighty watches one day as a vicious stranger kills the old man. Years later, Brighty avenges his friend's death. For grades 4-7. 1953.

Singer to the Sea God RC 40763
by Vivien Alcock
read by Vanessa Maroney
2 cassettes
Cleo, a slave girl working in the kitchen at the court of King Polydectes, is one of many turned to stone when Perseus returns with the head of Medusa. Cleo's brother Phaidon, their uncle Pelops, and two other slaves take Cleo's statue and flee on a trading ship. But the captain abandons the slaves on an island, taking Cleo's statue with him. The four begin a long search to find Cleo again. For grades 5-8. 1992.

Guests RC 40769
by Michael Dorris
read by Bob Moore
1 cassette
Moss, a Native American boy, is annoyed with his father for inviting strangers to the village harvest festival. Then he meets Trouble, a runaway girl who is also unhappy about the rules she is expected to follow. Moss dashes into the forest to spend some "away time," but after he thinks about how he feels and what is expected of him, he decides to join the celebration. Still asking questions, he begins to listen for answers. For grades 3-6. 1994.

The Girl in the Golden Bower RC 40771
by Jane Yolen
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
A widowed king leaves on a hunting trip and never returns. His castle falls to ruin, and it is said that a wild beast now lives there. Meanwhile a frail young woman, who doesn't know who she is, comes upon a woodsman. After they marry and have a child, a sorceress comes into their lives, searching for a charm she is sure they have. For preschool-grade 2. 1994.

Mouse Tales RC 40772
by Arnold Lobel
read by Graeme Malcolm
1 cassette (Reissue)
Once the mouse boys are all tucked into bed, they beg Papa for a bedtime story. Papa puts his sons to sleep by telling, not just one funny story, but seven—one for each of his boys. For grades K-3. 1972.

The Bears on Hemlock Mountain RC 40773
by Alice Dalgliesh
read by John Horton
1 cassette
Jonathan's mother has invited twenty members of the family for dinner, and she needs to borrow a big iron pot from Aunt Emma, who lives on the other side of Hemlock Mountain. Although his mother says there are no bears on Hemlock Mountain, Jonathan is not sure he wants to go over the mountain alone to get the pot. When darkness falls and the animals come out of the forest, Jonathan learns to be brave. For grades 2-4. 1952.

Edward Is Only a Fish RC 40777
by Alan Sincic
read by John Horton
1 cassette
Edward the fish lives in a bowl and dreams about taking a vacation. Sooner than he expects, he gets his chance. One day while Mr. Billingsly's bathwater is running, Mr. B. steps outside and locks himself out. The water fills the tub and keeps running until it floods the house and Edward swims out of his bowl. For grades 2-4. 1994.

Tucker Pfeffercorn: An Old Story Retold RC 40778
retold by Barry Moser
read by L.J. Ganser
1 cassette
One Sunday morning, several old miners are sitting in front of a country store telling each other tales to see who can come up with the best one. When Jefferson Tadlock tells a tale he swears is true, Hezakiah Sweatt, the meanest man on the mountain, insists on proof. And so Bessie Grace Kinzalow, a nineteen-year-old widow-woman, has to try to spin cotton into gold thread to save her child. For grades K-3. 1994.

When Jo Louis Won the Title RC 40784
by Belinda Rochelle
read by Connie Winston
1 cassette
It's the day before school opens and Jo Louis is unhappy. She just knows that everyone will make fun of her name, the way they always do. Then her grandfather tells her about the special night when the boxer Joe Louis won the heavyweight championship. And that same night lots of other good things happened that make her name something to smile about. For grades K-3. 1994.

Thames Doesn't Rhyme with James RC 40786
by Paula Danziger
read by Catherine Byers
1 cassette
Fifteen-year-old Kendra Kaye of *Remember Me to Harold Square (RC 34551)* is once again anxious about Frank Lee, the boy who explored New York with her last summer. This time the two families go to London for the Christmas holidays and another treasure hunt. While lovesick Kendra learns a thing or two about London's cultural life, she also discovers something about relationships and even about herself. For grades 6-9. 1994.

Mr. Tall and Mr. Small RC 40791
by Barbara Brenner
read by John Horton
1 cassette
A giraffe and a mouse argue over whose size is better. They quarrel until the day a hunter drops a lighted match that sets the forest on fire. Afraid they will be trapped, the mouse and the giraffe put their heads together and find a way out. Only then do they learn to appreciate their differences. For preschool-grade 2. 1966.

Rosy Cole: She Walks in Beauty RC 40796
by Sheila Greenwald
read by Nona Pipes
1 cassette
Out with her friend Christi, a young model, Rosy Cole realizes something: a beautiful person has a better life. Her attempts to become beautiful fail until Christi's brother, Donald, suggests she mimic a famous painting at the muse-

um. Now Rosy is getting special treatment from strangers, but her family and friends seem to be upset with her. Maybe those who walk in beauty are on a dead-end street. For grades 3-6. 1994.

The Three Golden Keys RC 40797
by Peter Sis
read by Robert Blumenfeld
1 cassette
The author tells his daughter about riding in a hot air balloon and landing in a city he soon realizes is Prague as it was when he was a child. He follows the twisting streets to his boyhood home, but finds three padlocks on the door. Magically, his cat from long ago appears and leads him on an amazing search for the three golden keys to his house. For grades K-3. 1994.

The Night Crossing RC 40798
by Karen Ackerman
read by Suzanne Toren
1 cassette
In Austria in 1938, a Jewish family threatened by the Nazis prepares to leave the country. They sell their valuables, fill their pockets, and flee while it is dark. Tired and hungry, they hide by day and move by night. When a clink from the silver candlesticks Mother could not leave behind nearly betrays them, Clara finds a way to hide the noise and the candlesticks until they are safely across the border. For grades 2-4. 1994.

The Guardians RC 40807
by John Christopher
read by Steven Crossley
1 cassette (Reissue)
England in 2052 is a divided nation. Recently orphaned thirteen-year-old Rob Randall, who lives in the Conurb, has been sent to a boarding school. Rob finds the technological community oppressive and makes his escape into the County, where life seems more serene. But the County society, ruled by the "Guardians," is even more tyrannical. For grades 6-9. 1970.

Make Room for Elisa RC 40813
by Johanna Hurwitz
read by Janis Gray
1 cassette
Elisa, from *"E" Is for Elisa (RC 36486)*, is now five and her brother Russell is nine. When Elisa goes to the eye doctor she gets a big surprise: she is going to be the first person in her family to wear glasses! But her parents have two even bigger surprises: they are moving to a larger apartment and Elisa is finally going to be a big sister. For grades 2-4. 1993.

Martha Calling RC 40816
by Susan Meddaugh
read by Madelyn Buzzard
1 cassette
Martha, the dog who began to talk after eating alphabet soup in *Martha Speaks (RC 40496)*, wins a free vacation at the Come-On-Inn. But there is a big problem: they don't allow dogs! For preschool-grade 2. 1994.

Aliens Ate My Homework RC 40831
by Bruce Coville
read by Christopher Hurt
1 cassette
Rod Allbright is building a volcano for a school project when a small spaceship crashes through the window and lands in the papier-mâché. The tiny spaceman who emerges is rather hostile, but as Rod helps him and the crew fix their spaceship, they all become friends. The aliens are on Earth to catch a notorious criminal, and Rod is very surprised to

find out who it is. Prequel to *I Left My Sneakers in Dimension X (RC 40832)*. For grades 3-6. 1993.

The Circus Baby RC 40844
by Maud and Miska Petersham
read by Suzanne Toren
1 cassette (Reissue)
What happens when Mother Elephant tries to raise her baby the way the clown family is bringing up their children. For grades K-3. 1950.

A Dangerous Promise: The Orphan Train Adventures RC 41001
by Joan Lowery Nixon
read by Madelyn Buzzard
1 cassette
Mike, twelve, and Todd, fourteen, are intrigued by the Civil War and want to be involved, but they are too young. They get a friend to teach them all the drum calls needed by army drummers and run away to join the Second Kansas Infantry. But in their first battle, Todd dies and Mike is left for dead. When Mike is rescued, he must return home to fulfill a promise made to Todd. For grades 5-8. 1994.

The Door in the Dragon's Throat: The Cooper Kids Adventure, Book 1 RC 41014
by Frank E. Peretti
read by Jack Fox
1 cassette
Armies of men with heavy machinery have tried to open the door in the Dragon's Throat, but no one has succeeded. Now Al-Dallam, president of Nepur, has asked Dr. Jake Cooper to try. There seems to be a curse on the door, which is said to hide a great treasure, but Dr. Cooper has faith that he can open the door and survive. Prequel to *Escape from the Island of Aquarius (RC 41015)*. For grades 5-8. 1985.

Escape from the Island of Aquarius: The Cooper Kids Adventure, Book 2 RC 41015
by Frank E. Peretti
read by Jack Fox
1 cassette
When a man with a mysterious note in his pocket is found floating in the South Pacific, the International Missionary Alliance asks the Coopers to locate the island of Aquarius and learn the fate of Reverend MacKenzie. The Coopers find MacKenzie, but they are not sure they have the right man. Sequel to *The Door in the Dragon's Throat (RC 41014)*. For grades 5-8. 1986.

The Tombs of Anak: The Cooper Kids Adventure, Book 3 RC 41016
by Frank E. Peretti
read by Jack Fox
1 cassette
Jay, Lila, and their father, Dr. Jake Cooper, are exploring the cave tombs of Anak when co-worker Jerry Frieden disappears, thanks to his own foolishness. In searching for Frieden, the Coopers learn that all the villagers live in fear of Ha-Raphah. But who or what is Ha-Raphah, and can they escape his evil powers? Sequel to *Escape from the Island of Aquarius (RC 41015)*. For grades 5-8. 1987.

Get the Picture, Jenny Archer? RC 41028
by Ellen Conford
read by Nona Pipes
1 cassette
Jenny Archer is not very excited about her grandparents' gift of their old camera until she learns about a children's photo contest. The entries have to be

candid shots of a person, pet, or place. Searching for the perfect shot, Jenny instead finds clues that two neighbors are up to something they shouldn't be. For grades 2-4. 1994.

Jon, Flora, and the Odd-Eyed Cat
RC 41041
by Stella Pevsner
read by Michael Pinney
1 cassette
Jon is trying to cope with his rheumatic fever and the family's move from Chicago to South Carolina. One night as he gazes out the window, he spots a white cat with a garland of flowers around its neck. Soon Jon meets the cat's owner, Flora, who introduces him to some mysterious events that sometimes make him wonder if he is dreaming. For grades 5-8. 1994.

The Horror at Camp Jellyjam
RC 41078
by R.L. Stine
read by Ilona Dulaski
1 cassette
While Wendy and Elliot are on a boring car trip with their parents, they ask if they can ride in the trailer. But the trailer comes loose, and Wendy and Elliot crash into an unusual summer camp. Camp Jellyjam's motto is "only the best," and the children are encouraged to win. But Wendy's roommate wins and then disappears. And all of the counselors seem to be in a trance. For grades 3-6. 1995.

Henry the Sailor Cat RC 41079
by Mary Calhoun
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
Henry, an adventurous Siamese cat, watches from the arms of the Woman as the Man and the Kid prepare for a day of sailing. All of them are convinced that Henry won't want to go along because cats don't like water. But Henry has other ideas and jumps aboard unnoticed. The Man is upset when he discovers their stowaway, but he will soon change his mind about having Henry aboard. For grades K-3. 1994.

Revenge of the Lawn Gnomes
RC 41087
by R.L. Stine
read by Terence Aselford
1 cassette
As summer begins, twelve-year-old Joe Burton's main problem is keeping his dog, Buster, out of Mr. McCall's garden next door. Mr. McCall and Joe's father compete each year to win at the garden show. But Joe's problems multiply when Mr. Burton adds two plaster gnomes to his menagerie of lawn ornaments. No one will believe Joe, but it's the gnomes, not Buster, who are up to mischief. For grades 4-7. 1995.

Playing Right Field RC 41089
by Willy Welch
read by Terence Aselford
1 cassette
One awkward little boy knows what to expect. Saturday afternoon everyone heads for the schoolyard for the usual ball game. But when the captains pick their teams, no one ever chooses him. So he heads out to right field to watch the dandelions grow. Then one day he learns just how important it is to be ready when your dreams come true. For grades K-3. 1995.

Pet of the Met RC 41090
by Lydia and Don Freeman
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette (Reissue)
Maestro Petrini is a white mouse who

lives with his wife and three children in the attic of the Metropolitan Opera House. He works as a page turner for the prompter. Down in the basement, living in a violin case, is Mefisto, a cat who hates music and mice! One day during a performance of the "Magic Flute," Maestro Petrini and Mefisto end up on the stage together, putting Maestro Petrini in great danger. For preschool-grade 2. 1953.

Anansi and the Talking Melon
RC 41091
by Eric A. Kimmel
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
Anansi the Spider visits Elephant's garden to have a taste of a ripe melon. But Anansi eats so much of the sweet, juicy fruit that he gets too fat to crawl out of the hole in the melon. While he waits to get thin, Anansi decides to have some fun. He tricks Elephant into thinking the melon can talk. Soon Elephant is off to show the talking melon to the king, but he's in for a big surprise. For preschool-grade 2. 1994.

Amy Elizabeth Explores Bloomingdale's
RC 41092
by E.L. Konigsburg
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
Amy Elizabeth is visiting her grandmother, who lives in New York City. Amy Elizabeth's grandmother promises to take her to Bloomingdale's, but every time they set out, something seems to happen. As Amy Elizabeth visits the various sights of New York City, she compares them with places in Houston, where she lives. For grades K-3. 1992.

Monster Blood III RC 41093
by R.L. Stine
read by Ilona Dulaski
1 cassette
Evan hates to baby-sit for his eight-year-old cousin Kermit because Kermit wants to spend all his time doing experiments in the basement. Unfortunately, Kermit's experiments have a way of going bad, and Kermit makes sure Evan gets the blame. But Kermit has played one too many jokes on Evan, and now Evan is ready for revenge. And he has just the thing for tricking Kermit—Monster Blood! For grades 4-7. 1995.

Fireman Small RC 41099
by Wong Herbert Yee
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
Because Fireman Small is the only fireman in his neighborhood, he works day and night, rescuing animals and putting out fires. Between emergencies, tired Fireman Small returns to station number nine, slowly walks upstairs, "closes the curtains, gets in bed, and pulls the covers over his head." For preschool-grade 2. 1994.

Mrs. Merriwether's Musical Cat
RC 41177
by Carol Purdy
read by Madelyn Buzzard
1 cassette
Mrs. Merriwether is an ordinary woman who lives in an ordinary house in an ordinary town, on an ordinary street called Peach Tree Lane. Every Tuesday Mrs. Merriwether gives music lessons to children on Peach Tree Lane, and every Tuesday afternoon, Mr. Crump calls to complain about the music. Then one day a white cat arrives, and Peach Tree

Lane is no longer an ordinary street. For grades K-3. 1994.

The Great Pumpkin Switch RC 41204
by Megan McDonald
read by Terence Aselford
1 cassette
Grandpa tells his grandchildren about how he and his friend Otto accidentally destroyed Big Max, his sister's prize pumpkin. That's when Mr. Angelo, the Potato Man, and the neighbor's pig helped save the day. Sequel to *The Potato Man (RC 41207)*. For preschool-grade 2. 1992.

Red Fox Running RC 41405
by Eve Bunting
read by Anne Hancock
1 cassette
Winter is almost over, and food is hard to find for animals living in the wild. So all day long a red fox hunts for something to feed his family. And while the fox searches for a prize, he has to be careful not to become a meal for a larger animal. For grades K-3. 1993.

Foreign Language Books

The following cassette titles are available in the languages designated.

Spanish

Irene, la Valiente RC 40853
por William Steig
leído por Juan Ramirez
1 cassette
La señora Buendía, costurera pobre, acaba de terminar de hacer un bello traje de baile para la duquesa, pero está muy enferma para irlo a entregar. Por lo tanto, Irene, su hija, cariñosamente pone a la señora en la cama y se va al palacio en medio de una terrible tormenta de nieve. El viento le arrebata el traje y lo piedre, pero ella sigue luchando, perdida, con frío y aterrada de decirle a la duquesa lo que pasó con el hermoso traje. Para preescolares, hasta segundo grado. (Mrs. Buendía, a poor seamstress, has just completed a beautiful ball gown for the duchess but is too sick to deliver it. So Irene, her daughter, lovingly puts her to bed and starts off for the palace in the midst of a vicious snowstorm. Irene loses the gown to the wind, but she struggles on, lost, cold, and too frightened to tell the duchess what has happened to the beautiful gown. For preschool-grade 2.) 1991.

La Muerte Más Aplaudida RC 40854
por Jorge Luis Oviedo
leído por Juan Ramirez
1 cassette
Un fatalismo humorístico trasciende estas dieciséis anécdotas fantásticas acerca de generales, presidentes y la corrupción del poder en el típico país latinoamericano. En la obra del título, una multitud se junta en una plaza para aplaudir el discurso del presidente, pero el aplauso mayor es para la bala del asesino. En "Cementerio de Piedras," la furia reprimida de la gente encuentra una salida colectiva espontánea. (A humorous fatalism permeates these sixteen fantastic anecdotes about generals, presidents, and corruption of power in a typical Latin American country. In the title piece, a crowd gathers in a plaza to

applaud the president's speech, but the greatest applause is for the assassin's bullet. In "Cemetery of Stones," the people's suppressed rage finds a collective, spontaneous outlet.) 1992.

Tierra de Nadie RC 40855
por Jorge de Amorim
leído por Juan Ramirez
1 cassette
Una recopilación de más de cien poemas líricos y aforísticos del autor venezolano-portugués, que se caracterizan por una breve simplicidad musical. Los poemas están agrupados en secciones, bajo los títulos "A Ningún Tiempo Nace," "Paisaje (de Aquí)," "Eternas y Blancas," "El Más Bello Portento" y "Post-Scriptum." (These more than one hundred lyrical, aphoristic poems by the Venezuelan-Portuguese author are characterized by a brief, musical simplicity. The poems are grouped into sections under the headings "At No Time Born," "Landscape (from Here)," "Eternal and Pure," "The Most Beautiful Portent," and "Post-Script.") 1987.

La Vuelta de Don Verídico RC 40856
por Julio César Castro
leído por Juan Ramirez
1 cassette
El autor uruguayo, cuyo nombre de pluma es "Juceca," presenta una serie de anécdotas humorísticas y extravagantes narradas en el lenguaje coloquial de los campesinos que aparecen, más o menos, como figuras permanentes en el Bar El Resorte. Por ejemplo, el caso de un hombre que compra la sombra de un ombú sin el árbol, los peligros de un baile sin música, y el resultado de una casa construida de cuero. (The Uruguayan author, whose nom de plume is "Juceca," presents a series of humorous and outlandish anecdotes told in the colloquial language of the group of campesino types who appear, more or less, as permanent fixtures in the El Resorte Bar. Witness the case of a man who buys the shade of an ombu tree without the tree, the dangers of a dance without a band, and the outcome of a house built of leather.) 1992.

El Mar Rojo RC 40857
por Rafael Courtoisie
leído por Juan Ramirez
1 cassette
Trece historias cortas del autor uruguayo describen escenarios apocalípticos de gente destruida o corrompida por la sociedad o el mal uso de la tecnología. La obra de título presenta una visión de pesadilla de la sobrevivencia en un mundo postholocausto, donde el agua contaminada adopta el simbolismo bíblico del Mar Rojo. Otras historias incluyen "El Trofeo," "La Revuelta," "Eratóstenes," "La Tormenta" y "Persistencia del Débil." (Thirteen short stories by the Uruguayan author depict apocalyptic scenarios of people destroyed or corrupted by society or technology gone awry. The title story presents a nightmarish vision of survival in a post-holocaust world where contaminated water takes on the biblical symbolism of the Red Sea. Stories include "The Trophy," "The Uprising," "Eratostenes," "The Storm," and "The Persistence of the Weak.") 1991.

Querida Familia RC 40858
por Aline Pettersson
leído por Maria Pino
1 cassette
Cuando un extraño llega a alojarse en

la casa de Sara, Julia y Soledad, el precario equilibrio entre las tres mujeres se destruye y la atmósfera relativamente tranquila de su hogar cede el paso a una serie de pasiones devastadoras. Esta novela de la autora mexicana describe la agitación que yace invisible detrás de las puertas cerradas de una familia "decente." (When a stranger arrives to take up lodging in the house of Sara, Julia, and Soledad, the uneasy equilibrium among the three women is destroyed, and the relatively tranquil atmosphere of their home gives way to a series of devastating passions. This novel by the Mexican author depicts the turmoil that lies unseen behind the closed doors of a "decent" family.) 1991.

El Parque Jurásico RC 40859
por Michael Crichton
leído por Juan Ramirez
4 cassettes
Algo anda muy mal en el Parque Jurásico situado en una remota isla de la costa de Costa Rica. Visitantes y residentes son atacados por animales de aspecto extraño, que los hieren gravemente dejando detrás una saliva pegajosa. Los animales son clones de dinosaurios fabricados por una firma de ingeniería genética. Acuden asesores a la isla para resolver el problema, pero pronto todo el mundo acaba luchando por su vida. Lenguaje injurioso. (Something is terribly wrong at Jurassic Park on a remote island off the coast of Costa Rica. Visitors and residents are being attacked by strange-looking animals that maul them and leave behind a sticky saliva. The animals are dinosaurs cloned and raised by a genetic engineering firm. Consultants are brought in to solve the problem, but soon everyone is running for dear life. Some strong language. Best-seller.) 1991.

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In Brief

Nineteenth-Century Book on Blind People Reissued

A classic book about the achievements of blind people, which had been out of print, was recently reissued in a commemorative regular-print edition by the National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped (NLS) and the Friends of Libraries for Blind and Physically Handicapped Individuals in North America. The book is being produced in recorded and braille formats for the NLS collection and is expected to be available to patrons in early 1997.

Biography of the Blind by James Wilson was first published in four separate editions from 1821 to 1838. It contains biographical sketches of blind men and women of varying age, ability, and status in life, from the well-known writers Homer and Milton to an obscure miser, Adam Mond. The book also includes an extensive autobiography of the author, who was born in Richmond, Virginia, and grew up in Belfast, Ireland. While his family was traveling to England when Wilson was four years old, both parents died at sea and Wilson himself was blinded by smallpox. He became a self-educated man with an interest in documenting the achievements of blind persons.

The reissue edition combines under one cover all of the biographies Wilson presented in his four editions and includes notes by research librarian Kenneth Stuckey of the Perkins School for the Blind in Watertown, Massachusetts. In addition to providing a look at past lives, the book offers a glimpse of the road that European and American soci-

ety has traveled in disabilities awareness up to the twentieth century.

Print copies of the book can be purchased for $16.95 for the paperback edition and $22.95 for hardcover. Contact Friends of Libraries for Blind and Physically Handicapped Individuals in North America, Inc., 1555 Connecticut Avenue NW, Suite 200, Washington, DC 20036, (202) 462-9600.

Reference Information Now on Cassette

NLS has produced two new four-track cassettes containing a reference circular and factsheets. One cassette contains *Blindness and Visual Impairments: Information and Advocacy Organizations*, a reference circular that lists state-level, national, and international organizations providing a variety of services to blind and visually impaired persons.

Another cassette contains *Facts: Sources for Purchase of Cassette Players and Player-Recorders Compatible with Recorded Materials Produced by the National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped (NLS)* and *Facts: Playback Machines and Accessories Provided on Free Loan to Eligible Individuals and Institutions*. These factsheets provide information about special equipment used to listen to NLS recorded books and magazines.

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Cassettes Nonfiction

Mankiller: A Chief and Her People RC 38353
by Wilma Mankiller and Michael Wallis
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Mankiller, daughter of a Cherokee father and white mother, left the Cherokee land of Oklahoma at ten when her family was relocated to California. She returned to her homeland a young divorced mother and became involved in tribal politics. In 1985 Mankiller became principal chief of the Cherokee Nation. She tells of her personal life, fraught with illness, and of her remarkable career. 1993.

The American Presidency: An Intellectual History RC 39025
by Forrest McDonald
read by Michael Stanton
4 cassettes
A survey of the history of the institution of the presidency. The author traces the origins of the idea of the presidency and how it was initially established and implemented during the Washington and Jefferson administrations. Explores how the expressed and implied powers of the office have evolved since Andrew Jackson's time. 1994.

Winchell: Gossip, Power, and the Culture of Celebrity RC 39317
by Neal Gabler
read by Ray Hagen
5 cassettes
Biography of the journalist who invented the gossip column in the 1920s, feeding the public's desire for details about the private lives of celebrities. The author shows how Winchell got started in vaudeville, then took his abrupt, snappy style to a daily newspaper column and a weekly radio broadcast. This once-powerful figure enjoyed a huge following, but his fame waned with the rise of television. 1994.

Now RC 39368
by Lauren Bacall
read by Laura Giannarelli
2 cassettes
Although not a sequel to the aging actress's earlier autobiography, *Lauren Bacall by Myself (RC 13275)*, this memoir does focus on fifteen later years. She marvels how the present instantly becomes the past as famous friends Leonard Bernstein, John Huston, Lau-

rence Olivier, and others become ill and die. She talks of her two children by Humphrey Bogart and her child by Jason Robards, who are grown with families of their own. 1994.

Capital: A Critique of Political Economy, Volume 1 RC 39627

by Karl Marx
read by Jake Williams
10 cassettes
Originally intended as part of a six-volume work, this volume is the only one published during the author's lifetime. Marx examines the process of producing capital, including the value of commodities, the circulation of money, the role of labor and machinery in manufacturing, and the question of accumulation, particularly as it applies to agriculture and to industry. 1867.

Legwork: An Inspiring Journey through a Chronic Illness RC 39754

by Ellen Burstein MacFarlane and Patricia Burstein
read by Susan McInerney
2 cassettes
Consumer advocacy investigative reporter MacFarlane was diagnosed with multiple sclerosis in 1986. Although she had suffered suicidal depression in the past, she faced MS with determination, even after ironically falling prey to a $100,000 scam "cure." Her marriage failed and her MS progressed until she became triplegic, but she retained her self-confidence throughout. Some strong language. 1994.

Princess Sultana's Daughters RC 39757

by Jean Sasson
read by Celeste Lawson
2 cassettes
Sasson continues the account of the treatment of women in Saudi Arabia that she began in *Princess (RC 36195)*. Here she tells the story of Sultana, who is fortunate enough to have a relatively enlightened marriage, and her daughters, Maha and Amani, and the injustices they must face as women. During a visit to a friend, Maha experiments with lesbianism and has a mental breakdown. Amani becomes a religious fanatic. Some violence. 1994.

The Letters of Robert Louis Stevenson: Volume 2, April 1874–July 1879 RC 39894

by Robert Louis Stevenson
read by Patrick Horgan
3 cassettes
Stevenson, still studying law in Scotland, finds comfort in writing letters to two close friends, often outlining for them future literary projects. Although pleased at passing the bar, he immediately puts all of his energies into writing, with the result that his first book, *An Inland Voyage*, is published. Then, while visiting Belgium in 1876, he meets the American woman who is to become his wife. 1879.

"Get Ready to Say Goodbye": A Mother's Story of Senseless Violence, Tragedy, and Triumph RC 39991

by LaVonne McKee and Ted Schwarz
read by Cecelia Riddett
1 cassette
LaVonne McKee's adolescent son, Dwayne, was shot in the neck by his best friend, Jeff, who told Dwayne to "get ready to say goodbye." McKee describes the family's reactions when Jeff escapes punishment although Dwayne is paralyzed, and when Dwayne regains partial use of his limbs despite his doc-

tors' predictions. Violence and some strong language. 1994.

The Pushcart Prize, 19: Best of the Small Presses, 1994–1995 RC 40226
edited by Bill Henderson and others
read by Mary Kane
5 cassettes
Sixty-five selections of short fiction, essays, and poetry published first by noncommercial American presses and magazines. "My Father, Dancing" by Bliss Broyard is her first published work. "A Thousand Buddhas," an essay about giving and receiving a massage, is by Brenda Miller, who once worked as a massage therapist. "Night Singing" is by the Pulitzer Prize-winning poet W.S. Merwin. Some strong language. 1995.

The New Complete Golden Retriever: Second Edition RC 40278
by Gertrude Fischer
read by Jill Ferris
3 cassettes
Longtime golden retriever breeder and columnist provides details about the breed. Goldens (which can range from cream to mahogany red) are participating in growing numbers in rescue work and in guiding blind people. Discusses the history of the breed, 1982 breed standards (which describe the ideal dog in detail), breeding, raising puppies, care requirements, training, and competitive showing. 1984.

Alan Paton: A Biography RC 40336
by Peter F. Alexander
read by Dan Bloom
5 cassettes
Biography of the author of *Cry, the Beloved Country (RC 17190)*, a 1948 novel about the immorality of South Africa's racial policies. Alexander, who knew Paton in his later years, describes Paton's birth in a British colony, his difficult childhood, his academic and political success, and the failure of his first marriage. Alexander also observes the prophetic nature of Paton's writings and his liberal political activism. 1994.

A Piece of the Action: How the Middle Class Joined the Money Class RC 40353
by Joseph Nocera
read by Michael Consoli
5 cassettes
In 1958 mass mailings of the first all-purpose credit card began to change the face of personal finance. Since then many more financial products, such as certificates of deposit, mutual funds, and automatic teller machines (ATM), have been marketed to the middle class. Nocera traces changes that have followed in the ways Americans shop for investments, borrow, and save. 1994.

Black Holes and Time Warps: Einstein's Outrageous Legacy RC 40443
by Kip S. Thorne
read by Christopher Hurt
5 cassettes
Thorne writes for nonscientists and scientists who are not physicists in a quest to share his insights about "where and how relativity fails and what replaces it." He combines established principles of physics with imaginative speculation to examine concepts, such as black holes, that were developed theoretically long before technology was able to provide any observable evidence. 1994.

Glory Road: The Army of the Potomac, Volume 2 RC 40520
by Bruce Catton
read by David Hilder
3 cassettes (Reissue)
This volume continues with the cam-

paigns of late 1862 and early 1863, when the tide began to turn in favor of the Union cause. The author interweaves the personalities of the leaders and the experiences of the common soldier in a military history of the bloody route from Fredericksburg to Gettysburg. Sequel to *Mr. Lincoln's Army (RC 40519)*. 1952.

A Stillness at Appomattox: The Army of the Potomac, Volume 3 RC 40521
by Bruce Catton
read by David Hilder
3 cassettes (Reissue)
A description of the last year of the Civil War when General Grant rebuilt the Union Army into a fighting force and turned defeat into victory. Sequel to *Glory Road (RC 40520)*. Awarded the Pulitzer Prize for history in 1954. 1953.

For the President's Eyes Only: Secret Intelligence and the American Presidency from Washington to Bush RC 40589
by Christopher Andrew
read by Ralph Lowenstein
6 cassettes
The history of U.S. information gathering in its many forms, including special agencies, from the first president through the Bush administration. The author of *KGB: The Inside Story (RC 32639)* focuses on what individual chief executives did with confidential intelligence, especially as it related to foreign policy. 1995.

Charlotte Brontë: A Passionate Life RC 40607
by Lyndall Gordon
read by Lisette Lecat
3 cassettes
Portrait of the creative life of a woman who refused to be confined to the Victorian parsonage where she grew up. Drawing on Brontë's letters and her highly autobiographical novels, including *Jane Eyre (RC 10886)*, Gordon pictures an intelligent, imaginative, feisty, and independent writer who elected to conform to most conventions of her society but rebelled by publishing under a male pseudonym. 1994.

The Knights of Malta RC 40609
by H.J.A. Sire
read by Robert Blumenfeld
3 cassettes
History of the Order of St. John, a religious military order founded in Jerusalem in the eleventh century. The author traces the development of this multinational brotherhood that offers hospitality to pilgrims. He also describes their political, economic, and cultural legacies. And he highlights the resurgence of this mainly European Catholic order, which presently numbers 10,000 knights and is headed by an Englishman. 1994.

Franco: A Biography RC 40610
by Paul Preston
read by Ed Blake
7 cassettes
Biography of Spanish dictator Generalissimo Francisco Franco, who is noted for his victory over Republican forces in the brutal Spanish Civil War and for his forty-year iron-handed rule of Spain until his death in 1975. Covers the birth of Franco in 1892 in Galicia, his childhood, his early military career in Morocco, his rise to power during the 1930s, his political maneuverings during World War II, and the postwar Franco era. 1994.

Wishing on the Moon: The Life and Times of Billie Holiday RC 40612
by Donald Clarke
read by Gail Nelson
4 cassettes
Clarke uses unpublished interviews to chronicle the jazz singer's path to success and trace Holiday's life from her Baltimore childhood to her death in 1959 at age forty-four. "Lady Day's" acclaim was also accompanied by a tragic streak of unhappy love affairs; racial discrimination; and the physical, alcohol, and drug abuse that destroyed her health. Some strong language. 1994.

Tchaikovsky: The Quest for the Inner Man RC 40613
by Alexander Poznansky
read by Ken Kliban
5 cassettes
Russian cultural and social historian creates a portrait of the late-nineteenth-century composer. Poznansky announces that his book is about the man who wrote the music—a story of Tchaikovsky's life and career in pre-Revolutionary Russia at the height of Romanticism. The author examines Tchaikovsky's homosexual relationships as well as those with his patroness and wife. 1991.

My Lucky Stars: A Hollywood Memoir RC 40632
by Shirley MacLaine
read by Pam Ward
3 cassettes
In her eighth autobiographical book, MacLaine recounts her forty years in Hollywood. She focuses on the many "stars" who have influenced her work, both professionally and emotionally, as well as the struggles she and others endure within the framework of an artistic life. She devotes special attention to her relationships with Dean Martin, Frank Sinatra, Robert Mitchum, and Danny Kaye. Some strong language. Bestseller 1995.

The Way of the Earth: Native America and the Environment RC 40635
by John Bierhorst
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes
Scholarly investigation of Native American approaches to safeguarding the environment, which combine beliefs and instinctive customs with a conscious effort. Analytical chapters focus on the unifying themes found in the myths of various tribes. Interspersed are the texts of proverbs and parables illustrating these principles. For high school and older readers. 1994.

On the Origins of War and the Preservation of Peace RC 40657
by Donald Kagan
read by Lou Harpenau
4 cassettes
A Yale professor probes the ancient wars between Athens and Sparta and between Rome and Carthage plus World Wars I and II and the Cuban missile crisis for lessons on the causes of war in general. Kagan agrees with other noted historians that wars are based on fear, honor, and national interests. It is his opinion that the prevention of war requires a combination of constant vigilance and military strength. 1995.

A Good Walk Spoiled: Days and Nights on the PGA Tour RC 40694
by John Feinstein
read by John Rayburn
4 cassettes
The author spent fifteen months follow-

ing seventeen players on the Professional Golf Association tour. As Feinstein observes these famous and not-so-famous golfers, he learns what drives them to play day after day, and how one week they seem to have discovered the secret to the game, and the next week they never want to golf again. But each player keeps striving to be "there" on Sunday afternoon. Bestseller 1995.

The Kennedy Women: The Saga of an American Family RC 40698
by Laurence Leamer
read by Ralph Lowenstein
8 cassettes
The large Catholic family that produced noted politicians and suffered through multiple tragedies is examined through its daughters, sisters, and wives. The six-generation family saga begins in Ireland with President Kennedy's great-grandmother Bridget Murphy, spans 104 years of Rose Kennedy's life, ends with Jackie Kennedy's death, and describes the lives of numerous other Kennedy women. Bestseller 1994.

The Path to Power RC 40699
by Margaret Thatcher
read by Patricia Kilgarriff
5 cassettes
In this companion to *The Downing Street Years (RC 39179)*, Thatcher looks at her personal life. She discusses her childhood, her years at Oxford, her marriage to Denis Thatcher, her family life, her first steps in politics, her experiences as a minister and as leader of the opposition, and the beginning of her role as prime minister. Bestseller 1995.

Raging Heart: The Intimate Story of the Tragic Marriage of O.J. and Nicole Brown Simpson RC 40728
by Sheila Weller
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
3 cassettes
Based on interviews with eighty people, including members of the Brown family, and on "extensive, largely exclusive interviews with Nicole and O.J. Simpson's closest friends and confidantes," this claims to be the real story of the former football player and the wife he was accused of murdering. Strong language and violence. Bestseller 1995.

Dreams of Exile: Robert Louis Stevenson, a Biography RC 40729
by Ian Bell
read by Bill Wallace
3 cassettes
A nonliterary account of the author of *Treasure Island (RC 18121)*. In poor health throughout his life, Stevenson evaded the careers his father encouraged, instead traveling in search of healthful climates and writing of adventure and action. He married the controversial Fanny Osbourne, who both cared for and dominated him. 1992.

All's Fair: Love, War, and Running for President RC 40735
by Mary Matalin and James Carville
read by Mary Woods
4 cassettes
Political memoirs of strategists on two sides of the presidential campaign of 1992. The authors introduce themselves and sketch a little about their backgrounds and budding romance, telling their story in alternating voices. Beckoned by President Bush and Governor Clinton, respectively, Matalin and Carville put their lives on hold and

worked until election day. Some strong language. Bestseller 1994.

The Seven Spiritual Laws of Success: A Practical Guide to the Fulfillment of Your Dreams RC 40751
by Deepak Chopra
read by Yolande Bavan
1 cassette
Asserts that everything in existence is created according to certain laws of nature. The author explains how following the same principles can lead to human success or the fulfillment of one's desires. Bestseller 1994.

The Good Marriage: How and Why Love Lasts RC 40752
by Judith S. Wallerstein
and Sandra Blakeslee
read by Madelyn Buzzard
3 cassettes
The authors of *Second Chances (RC 29593)*, which is about divorce, look at fifty continuing marriages. Their subjects have been married at least nine years, have children, and are mostly white and well-educated. Interview excerpts illustrate what the authors consider the four types of marriage and the nine psychological tasks involved in success. Bestseller 1995.

The Living and the Dead: The Rise and Fall of the Cult of World War II in Russia RC 40788
by Nina Tumarkin
read by Suzanne Toren
2 cassettes
The author draws on her personal experiences of life in the Soviet Union during World War II and traces the history of the Russian version of the "Great Patriotic War." Tumarkin explains how Stalin distorted and sanitized the truth about his role and that of the Communist Party, thereby creating a myth that persisted until Gorbachev's glasnost. 1994.

Computer Resources for People with Disabilities: A Guide to Exploring Today's Assistive Technology RC 40805
by Alliance for Technology Access
read by Ralph Lowenstein
2 cassettes
Guide to assist people with disabilities in defining needs and making technology-related decisions that will "level the playing field." Included are tips for making choices from a variety of available software and hardware, a discussion about learning to use these devices, and success stories of those who are using assistive technology. 1994.

Better than Sex: Confessions of a Political Junkie RC 41003
by Hunter S. Thompson
read by Bruce Huntey
2 cassettes
Thompson's style of journalism has been to filter events through his personal obsessions and his drug experience. He now offers an account of the 1992 presidential campaign that concentrates on the obsessions of the major players. He considers politics an addictive substance that makes political junkies willing to sacrifice anything. Sequel to *Songs of the Doomed (RC 35764)*. Strong language. Bestseller 1994.

Life and How to Survive It RC 41007
by Robin Skynner and John Cleese
read by David Palmer
3 cassettes
Comic Cleese and psychiatrist Skynner present dialogs in which they analyze people and groups they believe to be truly healthy, explore the usefulness of religion, and speculate on the possibility

of an afterlife. Psychological theory is explained in a lighthearted, conversational style and illustrated with examples. 1993.

Shrouds of Glory: From Atlanta to Nashville; the Last Great Campaign of the Civil War RC 41009
by Winston Groom
read by Ray Foushee
2 cassettes
Groom, author of *Forrest Gump (RC 38876)*, examines the Confederacy's last great attempt to push Union troops from southern soil. He focuses on General John Bell Hood, who commanded the Confederate troops in Atlanta and then pushed troops on to Nashville, where, facing defeat, he asked to be relieved of his command. Some violence. 1995.

When the Phone Rings, My Bed Shakes: Memoirs of a Deaf Doctor RC 41010
by Philip Zazove
read by Butch Hoover
2 cassettes
Zazove was born hearing only vowels and a few consonants. His parents decided to "mainstream" him rather than give him special schooling. He describes growing up, going to medical school, and having a family practice in Utah. Interspersed throughout his own history are details of various cases he has had. Dr. Zazove went on to teach at a university medical school. 1993.

Taking the Fear out of Eating: A Nutritionists' Guide to Sensible Food Choices RC 41012
by Charlette R. Gallagher
and John B. Allred
read by Lou Harpenau
3 cassettes
Provides practical advice on interpreting nutrition labels and making food choices, explains nutrients and their functions, examines food production and processing, and discusses the relationship between nutrition and health. 1992.

Ninety-nine More Maggots, Mites, and Munchers RC 41018
by May R. Berenbaum
read by Kerry Cundiff
2 cassettes
In the sequel to *Ninety-nine Gnats, Nits, and Nibblers (RC 31412)*, entomology professor Berenbaum focuses on more obscure and unusual insects. She groups such characters as cheese skippers, corn earworms, stalk-eyed flies, eye gnats, and kissing bugs into humorous categories and provides physical descriptions of the insects and information about their behaviors and habitats. 1993.

Toulouse-Lautrec: A Life RC 41024
by Julia Frey
read by James DeLotel
5 cassettes
Portrait of the French painter best known for his posters of cabaret performers. Drawing on family letters, the author focuses on the artist's aristocratic heritage, his mentally ill father and pious mother, his chronic illness and physical deformity, his alcoholism, and his untimely death at age thirty-six. Frey also speculates on probable artistic influences, including Degas, Japanese prints, and the art nouveau movement. 1994.

What's It All About? An Autobiography RC 41025
by Michael Caine
read by Roy Avers
4 cassettes
Michael Caine, star of such movies as *Alfie*, *Sleuth*, and *Hannah and Her Sisters*, tells of growing up in London, acting in more than seventy films, and meeting and marrying the woman of his dreams. He relates humorous incidents and conversations with people he met in show business, including Bette Davis, Roger Moore, and Mia Farrow. Some strong language. 1992.

A Chef's Tale: A Memoir of Food, France, and America RC 41037
by Pierre Franey and others
read by Robert Blumenfeld
2 cassettes
A French chef reminisces about his native land and his family and about helping to introduce French cuisine to the American public. Franey describes how recognition for his efforts at famous restaurants, such as Le Pavillon, led to "The 60-Minute Gourmet" (his column in the *New York Times*) and eventually to a public television cooking show and the publication of several books. Includes his trademark recipes. 1994.

Dangerous Minds RC 41042
by LouAnne Johnson
read by Catherine Byers
2 cassettes
Johnson tells of teaching English in a rough Los Angeles high school. She has only one rule: respect yourself and everyone in class. Her respect for the students and the reputation of her Marine Corps training break down the barriers to learning. In her program, she teaches the same students for three years, allowing her to become an influence in their lives. Made into a movie of the same title. Violence and strong language. Bestseller 1992.

Putting Away Childish Things: The Virgin Birth, the Empty Tomb, and Other Fairy Tales You Don't Need to Believe to Have a Living Faith RC 41044
by Uta Ranke-Heinemann
read by Gordon Gould
3 cassettes
The author, a professor of religion in Germany, believes the New Testament is full of improbability and impossibility. She examines Catholic beliefs regarding Christmas, Easter, and the Ascension, along with beliefs about the Virgin Mary. Further, she discusses uncovering the truths buried beneath the "tales." 1994.

The Angel of History RC 41048
by Carolyn Forché
read by Suzanne Toren
1 cassette
A book-length poem in five sections in which the angel of history reflects on earlier years in the twentieth century, giving voice to the people who are remembered. The resulting "meditation on memory" speaks of "times . . . when French was the secret music of the street," "children were taken to Auschwitz in Poland," and on the bank of a river a weeping willow etched "its memory of their faces [the people of Hiroshima] into the water." 1994.

Mark Twain: The Man and His Adventures RC 41051
by Richard B. Lyttle
read by Christopher Hurt
1 cassette
Portrait of a man often cited as the quintessential American author. Lyttle

traces the life of Samuel Langhorne Clemens, also known as Mark Twain, from his premature birth in a frontier village in Missouri through his career as a popular writer and a famous speaker. For junior and senior high and older readers. 1994.

American Slavery: 1619–1877 RC 41060
by Peter Kolchin
read by Ralph Lowenstein
3 cassettes
The author presents a broad history of various aspects of slavery. Kolchin synthesizes new research as he considers slaves, slave owners, and the evolution of the system of slavery from colonial times through the Civil War. He also looks at the use of slavery and forced labor in other countries during that time frame for added perspective on the nature of slavery in the United States. 1993.

Under My Skin: Volume One of My Autobiography, to 1949 RC 41062
by Doris Lessing
read by Lisette Lecat
4 cassettes
Prolific author chronicles her life in South Africa and her move to England, her home since 1949. Lessing speaks openly about her early life, exposing details about domestic, political, and sexual involvements, and ponders, as she does so, how all this affected her youthful feelings and what influence it had on her as a mature writer. 1994.

Having Your Baby with a Nurse-Midwife: Everything You Need to Know to Make an Informed Decision RC 41071
by American College of Nurse-Midwives and Sandra Jacobs
read by Judith Ann Gantly
2 cassettes
Explains the role of a midwife during pregnancy and labor, the medical technology midwives may employ, and the details of midwife assistance for births in the home, hospital, or birth center. Included is a state-by-state guide to regulations concerning midwives. 1993.

The Truth about Your Height: Exploring the Myths and Realities of Human Size and Its Effects on Performance, Health, Pollution, and Survival RC 41095
by Thomas T. Samaras
read by Terence Aselford
3 cassettes
Based on twenty years of research into the relationship between longevity and size. The author suggests three things that can be done about human stature: change perception and attitudes toward height; change behavior toward others of different heights; and change the height and weight of future generations. 1994.

Sly and Able: A Political Biography of James F. Byrnes RC 41098
by David Robertson
read by Robert Sams
6 cassettes
The author traces the path of an influential twentieth-century southern politician, "Jimmy" Byrnes, from a penniless South Carolina boyhood to service as a representative and a senator, a Supreme Court justice, a presidential assistant under FDR, a secretary of state, and a state governor. Robertson also

chronicles the "almost" president's political liabilities, including racism. 1994.

In Their Name: Dedicated to the Brave and the Innocent, Oklahoma City, April 1995 RC 41123
edited by Clive Irving
read by John Rayburn
1 cassette
Official Project Recovery OKC commemorative volume describes events surrounding the April 19, 1995, bombing of Oklahoma City's Murrah Federal Building. Victims of the 9:02 a.m. blast included workers in the building, clients in the social security office, and children in the daycare center. Rescue workers poured in from around the country to supplement the Oklahoma forces. Bestseller 1995.

The Bill: How the Adventures of Clinton's National Service Bill Reveal What Is Corrupt, Comic, Cynical—and Noble—about Washington RC 41127
by Steven Waldman
read by John Rayburn
3 cassettes
A correspondent for *Newsweek* tracks the national service program from its inception as a Clinton campaign promise to its implementation as AmeriCorps. He details the complex maneuvering required to accommodate interest groups like colleges, the IRS, veterans, minorities, and labor and the role of partisan politics. 1995.

Sickle Cell Anemia RC 41141
by George Beshore
read by Bill Wallace
1 cassette
Sickle-cell anemia is an inherited disease in which the red blood cells change from round to sickle-shaped. This condition can cause painful symptoms and may be fatal if not treated. The history, nature, symptoms, and treatment of the disease are discussed, as is research for a cure. For junior and senior high readers. 1994.

Creating a New Civilization: The Politics of the Third Wave RC 41142
by Alvin and Heidi Toffler
read by John Rayburn
1 cassette
The emergence of the "age of knowledge" described in *The Third Wave (RC 15083)* explains current political and social turbulence in the world. The authors see these changes as predictable and a positive part of movement to a new civilization marked by smaller organizations, electronic access to information, and new hierarchies. Foreword by U.S. House Speaker Newt Gingrich. 1994.

It Wasn't Always Easy, but I Sure Had Fun: The Best of Lewis Grizzard RC 41150
by Lewis Grizzard
read by Jim Zeiger
2 cassettes
Grizzard was editing this anthology of previously published humorous columns at the time of his death. Topics include culture, politics, sports, the South, men, women, and men and women. The personal pieces draw on his memories of his family, his complaints about his divorces, and descriptions of the heart disease that eventually killed him. Some strong language. Bestseller 1994.

The Liars' Club: A Memoir RC 41154
by Mary Karr
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
3 cassettes
Mary Karr grew up in the small Texas town of Leechfield. Her mother was

prone to abusing alcohol and to attempting suicide. Her father, an oil worker, spent time with coworkers at the American Legion bar where they formed the Liars' Club and competed to outdo one another's tall tales. Karr discusses the difficulties she and her older sister, Lecia, had keeping the family together. Strong language. Bestseller 1995.

Buffett: The Making of an American Capitalist RC 41155
by Roger Lowenstein
read by John Rayburn
4 cassettes
A correspondent for the *Wall Street Journal* offers a portrait of Warren Buffett, a middle-class Nebraska financial advisor who has become a billionaire by investing in stocks. Lowenstein interviewed family, friends, and colleagues to explain how a man with a modest yet nontraditional lifestyle amassed his fortune. He also describes the few mistakes Buffett made. Bestseller 1995.

I Want to Tell You: My Response to Your Letters, Your Messages, Your Questions RC 41157
by O.J. Simpson
read by Jake Williams
1 cassette
While waiting for what he is sure will be a not-guilty verdict, O.J. Simpson, accused of murdering his ex-wife and her friend, responds to the many letters he received in jail. Selected letters are intermixed with Simpson's thoughts on being accused and reminiscences about his family. He feels "there were three homicides"—his was by the press. Bestseller 1995.

The NPR Interviews 1994 RC 41180
edited by Robert Siegel
read by Jack Fox
2 cassettes
The National Public Radio host and editor of this collection of 1993 NPR interviews describes the process from interview genesis to airing. Siegel explains the evolution of "The Story of the Year" (in this case, the war in Bosnia) and other types of stories. The selections range from discussion about the death penalty with the longest-sitting justice on the Supreme Court to a talk about a didgeridoo with an Australian aborigine. 1994.

The Lives of Birds: Birds of the World and Their Behavior RC 41184
by Lester L. Short
read by Butch Hoover
2 cassettes
The curator of birds of the American Museum of Natural History draws upon the latest research and knowledge on the diverse world of birds. He discusses bird behavior from hatchling through fledgling to maturity, including information on diets, flying, singing, migration, territoriality, courtship, nesting, and mating. Also includes a chapter on the interrelationship between birds and humans. 1993.

When Elephants Weep: The Emotional Lives of Animals RC 41191
by Jeffrey Moussaieff Masson
and Susan McCarthy
read by Mary Kane
2 cassettes
Although many pet owners believe that animals of all kinds lead complex emotional lives, few scientists have acknowledged, researched, or even speculated about animal emotions. Attempting to

bridge this gap, the authors give many examples of animals expressing emotion including some observations made by scientists. Bestseller 1995.

The Waning of the Middle Ages: A Study of the Forms of Life, Thought, and Art in France and the Netherlands in the Fourteenth and Fifteenth Centuries
RC 41199
by J. Huizinga
read by Laura Giannarelli
3 cassettes
Huizinga believes people too often look at the end of an era as the dawn of another, rather than as the termination of itself. Using religious and secular art, poetry, and literature of the Middle Ages, Huizinga shows that period's strange contrasts and analyzes its effect on the twentieth century. 1924.

The End of Evolution: On Mass Extinctions and the Preservation of Biodiversity RC 41203
by Peter Ward
read by Gary Telles
3 cassettes
Tells of the earth's two mass extinctions in which periods of intense species death completely reorganized ecosystems on land and sea. The first was characterized by glaciers and continental drift. In the second, asteroids and tidal waves brought an end to the Age of Dinosaurs. Ward argues that the earth is now in a third major extinction episode that will end the Age of Mammals. 1994.

The Limits of Medicine: How Science Shapes Our Hope for the Cure
RC 41206
by Edward S. Golub
read by Steven Carpenter
2 cassettes
A professor of immunology and microbiology calls on the public to reexamine its expectations of medical science and to develop reasonable goals for health and life expectancy. He describes in lay terms the changing ways disease has been understood and treated throughout history, detailing the work of individual scientists and public response to their discoveries. 1994.

The Joslin Diabetes Gourmet Cookbook: Heart-Healthy, Everyday Recipes for Family and Friends RC 41252
by Frances Towner Giedt
and Bonnie Sanders Polin
read by Annie Wauters
5 cassettes
The authors, a psychologist and a cookbook author and food consultant, have recently been diagnosed with diabetes. They offer more than three hundred recipes for low-fat, high-fiber dishes diabetics can use to dine and entertain beautifully. They also include information on managing diabetes, on nutrition, and on the Joslin exchange list. 1993.

The Moral Animal: The New Science of Evolutionary Psychology RC 41255
by Robert Wright
read by Faith Potts
4 cassettes
A *New Republic* senior editor writes in popular style about an evolutionary basis for human morality. Using Charles Darwin's theories and illustrating with examples from the Victorian naturalist's life, Wright argues that moral behavior

evolved through natural selection with an aim of passing on the individual's genes. 1994.

Aloud: Voices from the Nuyorican Poets Cafe RC 41267

edited by Miguel Algarín
and Bob Holman
read by Peter Gil
3 cassettes

Describes the Manhattan cafe where Puerto Rican and other poets present their works. Includes 260 poems with notes on the authors. Sample titles: "Twas the Night before Chinese New Year's," "This Jerk I'm Obsessed With," "You Jump First." Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. Winner of 1994 American Book Award from the Before Columbus Foundation. 1994.

Directory of National Information Sources on Disabilities: 1994–95 RC 41268

by National Institute on Disability and Rehabilitation Research
read by Michael Consoli
7 cassettes

Alphabetical listing of organizations supplying disability-related information, referral, and direct services on a nationwide basis. For each organization provides address, phone and fax, a description, users and disabilities served, and information services. Includes a glossary of company name acronyms, lists of databases and directories, and a subject index. 1994.

I'm Only One Man! RC 41271

by Regis Philbin
read by Steven Carpenter
2 cassettes

Philbin provides an account in diary form of a year of his life, "more or less." As he takes the reader from June 15, 1994, to May 19, 1995, he not only discusses what is happening in his life as a television personality, but provides background on how he achieved his popularity. He also takes the reader behind the scenes of the show he co-hosts, *Live! with Regis and Kathie Lee*, and others, such as the Miss America pageant. Bestseller 1995.

Beyond All Reason: My Life with Susan Smith RC 41272

by David Smith
read by Gregory Gorton
1 cassette

Smith looks at his life before and after the death of his two sons, Michael and Alex. He explains how he and Susan met and discusses their rocky marriage, their separation, and finally the days leading up to and following the devastating news that his wife had murdered their two sons. Some strong language. Bestseller 1995.

Prozac Nation: Young and Depressed in America RC 41273

by Elizabeth Wurtzel
read by Mary Kane
3 cassettes

Wurtzel claims to speak for herself and for a young generation facing major societal problems. A former popular-music critic for the *New Yorker*, she details her life with depression, from a despairing pre-adolescence through suicide attempts after college. Prozac has helped her, but she worries that its trendy reputation may minimize the seriousness of depression. Strong language. Bestseller 1994.

The Gospel of Life (Evangelium Vitae) RC 41275
by John Paul II
read by Bob Moore
1 cassette
Pope John Paul II's Encyclical Letter of March 25, 1995, regarding abortion, euthanasia, the death penalty, ecology, and biological engineering. Bestseller 1995.

Breaking the Surface RC 41276
by Greg Louganis and Eric Marcus
read by Gary Telles
2 cassettes
Louganis, winner of four Olympic gold medals in diving, discusses his problems with low self-esteem, bouts with depression, alcohol and drug abuse, homosexuality, and AIDS. Bestseller 1995.

The Tribe of Tiger: Cats and Their Culture RC 41278
by Elizabeth Marshall Thomas
read by Michele Schaeffer
2 cassettes
Author of *The Hidden Life of Dogs (RC 37305)* turns to the thirty-five different species of cats. She explains the evolution of cats (they come from the mongoose tribe) and discusses their behavior and their carnivorous diet ("meat-eating alone accounts for a cat's sense of fun, of play"). Pumas, tigers, house cats, and others are observed in a variety of urban environments. Bestseller 1994.

A Civil Action RC 41279
by Jonathan Harr
read by Robert Sams
4 cassettes
Written like a novel, this account of an actual liability lawsuit focuses on the plaintiffs' attorney. Parents whose children died of leukemia retained Jan Schlichtmann, described here as flamboyant, bankrupt, and tenacious. Schlichtmann spent nine years tracking the cause of the illness to bring suit against two giant corporations. Describes how justice became secondary to the legal battle. Strong language. Bestseller 1995.

The Normandy Diary of Marie-Louise Osmont: 1940–1944 RC 41282
by Marie-Louise Osmont
read by Cecelia Riddett
1 cassette
The author begins her diary the day that German soldiers occupy her French chateau. A former nurse and now a middle-aged widow, Osmont records her maternal feelings for the younger members of the enemy forces with whom she shares her home for four years. She reveals, however, mixed feelings about members of the British liberation army that take up residence after the D-Day invasion. 1994.

Common Cents: A Retiring Six-Term Congressman Reveals How Congress Really Works—and What We Must Do to Fix It RC 41283
by Timothy J. Penny and Major Garrett
read by Ted Stoddard
3 cassettes
The Democrat who represented his Minnesota district from 1983 to 1995 attacks what he identifies as the cultures of spending, power, hypocrisy, fear, and isolation in Congress. Penny recounts his frustrations and offers suggestions for reform. 1995.

The Journey RC 41320
edited by Kenneth Jernigan
read by Bruce Huntey
1 cassette
Collection of essays designed to show

that if given appropriate training and equal opportunity, people who are blind make meaningful contributions to society. Includes entries about Kenneth Jernigan, spokesperson for the National Federation of the Blind; Kathy Kannenberg, math teacher; Peggy Pinder, lawyer; and Theodore Paul Lubitz, violinist, singer, and piano tuner. 1993.

Lost in Yonkers RC 41415
by Neil Simon
read by Ken Kliban
1 cassette
Play set in New York, 1942. After their mother's death, Arty and Jay are visiting their stern grandmother. When their father finishes a private talk with his mother, the boys are shocked to learn he wants them to stay there while he takes a traveling job. Grandmother agrees with the boys that it would be a very bad idea. But childlike Aunt Bella surprises everyone by insisting they remain. For high school and older readers. Pulitzer Prize. 1991.

David Brinkley: Eleven Presidents, Four Wars, Twenty-two Political Conventions, One Moon Landing, Three Assassinations, Two Thousand Weeks of News and Other Stuff on Television, and Eighteen Years of Growing Up in North Carolina RC 41423
by David Brinkley
read by Ralph Lowenstein
2 cassettes
In recalling his career, which began in Wilmington, North Carolina, Brinkley discusses the people he has been privileged to meet, the fascinating places he has visited, and the interesting stories he has covered. Bestseller 1995.

The Book of Light: Poems RC 41427
by Lucille Clifton
read by Melissa Maxwell
1 cassette
Short, free-form, often untitled poems. Some are about living people and real places, and others are about mythical, biblical, and even comic-book characters from the past. The collection begins with a list of ways light is refracted. Then individual poems are grouped into three categories: reflection, lightning bolt, and splendor. 1993.

This Year in Jerusalem RC 41454
by Mordecai Richler
read by Ken Kliban
2 cassettes
Richler was born and raised as a Zionist in Montreal, Canada, but he did not "make aliyah" with many of his friends. He looks at the effect his last-minute decision not to go to Israel has had on his life, especially in relation to the Israeli culture he found on visits in 1962 and again in 1992. Richler, a noted author and playwright, finds his roots as much in his Canadian experiences as in his Jewishness. 1994.

Sorrow's Kitchen: The Life and Folklore of Zora Neale Hurston RC 41455
by Mary E. Lyons
read by Melissa Maxwell
1 cassette
Lyons inserts samples of Hurston's fiction, autobiography, and folklore collected in Florida, Louisiana, and the West Indies into this account of the African American anthropologist and Harlem Renaissance writer of stories, plays, essays, and articles. For junior and senior high and older readers. 1990.

My American Journey RC 41549
by Colin L. Powell
read by Jake Williams
5 cassettes
Powell shares with his fellow Americans what he believes has been a great life. The son of immigrants, he was raised in New York's South Bronx and was undistinguished in school. But he found his place in life when he joined the ROTC and the army. Powell's is a story of hard work and good luck, of service, and of love from and for the people who helped make the former general and Joint Chiefs chairman a popular figure in the 1990s. Bestseller 1995.

Cassettes Fiction

The Best Intentions RC 37171
by Ingmar Bergman
read by Erik Sandvold
2 cassettes
Companion volume to *Sunday's Children (RC 38375)*. Movie director Ingmar Bergman has written a fictionalized account of his parents' romance in the early 1900s. The young man, Henrik, is struggling with his religious studies and secretly engaged to an older waitress. He is invited to dine at a wealthy friend's house where he meets Anna, the amazing sister. Anna is taken by Henrik and soon proposes, but there is the waitress to consider and, even worse, Anna's and Henrik's mothers. Descriptions of sex. 1991.

Sunday's Children RC 38375
by Ingmar Bergman
read by Erik Sandvold
1 cassette
Companion volume to *Best Intentions (RC 37171)*, in which Bergman fictionalized the story of his parents' romance. Movie director Bergman gives an account of the summer he was eight. This year the family is staying at a rented cottage, and it turns out to be an especially trying time for Pu since his parents are always arguing. It is also a summer in which Pu tries to come to terms with his tyrannical father. Strong language. 1993.

Sword of Glory: Children of the Lion, Volume 8 RC 38496
by Peter Danielson
read by Patrick Horgan
3 cassettes
The Teller of Tales recalls that he told of Seth's search for the secret of making iron to forge the Sword of Glory to be used to vanquish the Hai, and of the promise of a deliverer to the sons of Jacob. Now he relates how the Children of the Lion receive enlightenment and how the Sword is brought home to the Nile delta. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. Sequel to *The Prophecy (RC 38495)*. 1987.

The Time: Night RC 39315
by Ludmilla Petrushevskaya
read by Barbara Rappaport
1 cassette
An aging Russian poet pours out her life story in notes scribbled late at the kitchen table. She shares a full house with a ne'er-do-well son, an irresponsible daughter and her two illegitimate children, and a senile mother—all dependent upon her and ungrateful. Sometimes the poet peeks in her daughter's diaries, filled with romantic notions, and always she finds joy in her little grandson. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1994.

Into the Labyrinth: The Death Gate Cycle, Volume 6 RC 39366
by Margaret Weis and Tracy Hickman
read by John Horton
3 cassettes
Xar, lord of the Nexus and now lord of Abarrach, wants to control the Seventh Gate, which will give him the power to unite or destroy the worlds of air, fire, stone, and water. Only Haplo seems to know the location of the Seventh Gate, and yet he doesn't realize it. Xar must kill Haplo and then restore him to life to learn the secret. Sequel to *The Hand of Chaos (RC 39365)*. Violence. 1993.

The Seventh Gate: The Death Gate Cycle, Volume 7 RC 39367
by Margaret Weis and Tracy Hickman
read by John Horton
2 cassettes
With Haplo captured, it is up to Marit, his former lover, and Hugh the Hand to rescue him before Xar turns him into an undead. But first Marit and Hugh must go into the Labyrinth and liberate Alfred. Although they are aided by good dragons and some Sartans, they may still have to enter the Seventh Gate to save Hugh. Sequel to *Into the Labyrinth (RC 39366)*. Violence. 1994.

Dolley: A Novel of Dolley Madison in Love and War RC 39476
by Rita Mae Brown
read by Barbara Rappaport
3 cassettes
Fictionalized account of eighteen months in the life of the first lady in the midst of the War of 1812. Alternating between diary entries and narrative, the author portrays Dolley as a determined woman with a streak of frivolity, loyal to her beleaguered husband yet mindful of her nonviolent Quaker upbringing. She confides her fears and thoughts about politicians, personal finances, and slavery. 1994.

Tales of the City RC 39531
by Armistead Maupin
read by Ray Hagen
2 cassettes
Set in San Francisco in the 1970s, these "tales" were first published as a daily column in the *Chronicle*. Fresh from Cleveland, Mary Ann Singleton gets a quick initiation into California lifestyle when she takes a room at 28 Barbary Lane, a bohemian boardinghouse run by Anna Madrigal, who welcomes new tenants with a home-grown reefer. Strong language and descriptions of sex. 1978.

Solo Hand RC 39532
by Bill Moody
read by John Lescault
2 cassettes
While waiting to see if he will regain the full use of the hand he injured in an automobile accident, jazz pianist Evan Horne reluctantly plays detective. His ex-wife Sharon asks him to help her new lover, Evan's ex-boss Lonnie Cole, who is being blackmailed over pictures of him and another male singer sleeping together. Evan can't refuse because the blackmailer has named him as the go-between. Strong language and some violence. 1994.

Lyonesse, Volume 3: Madouc RC 39552
by Jack Vance
read by Suzanne Toren
3 cassettes
Princess Madouc is now nine, and King Casmir of Lyonesse wants to find her a husband. But Madouc only wishes to search for her true mother, having recently learned that Suldrun is not her

mother and that, indeed, King Casmir is not her grandfather. Meanwhile King Casmir learns of the prophecy that Prince Dhrun, the son of King Aillas, is to become head of all the Elder Isles. Sequel to *Lyonesse, Volume 2: The Green Pearl (RC 39261)*. Some violence. 1989.

More Tales of the City: Tales of the City, Volume 2 RC 39602
by Armistead Maupin
read by Ray Hagen
2 cassettes
In the sequel to *Tales of the City (RC 39531)*, the gang at 28 Barbary Lane finally learn the truth about their landlady's mysterious past. While Mary Ann Singleton sleuths to discover why her new boyfriend has amnesia, her friend Mouse takes ill and writes his Anita Bryant-supporting parents about his homosexuality, and Edgar Halcyon's widow and daughter make new lives for themselves. Strong language. 1980.

Further Tales of the City: Tales of the City, Volume 3 RC 39603
by Armistead Maupin
read by Ray Hagen
2 cassettes
In the sequel to *More Tales of the City (RC 39602)*, Mary Ann Singleton is thirty, host of the *Bargain Matinee* TV show, and an investigative reporter in the making. Her break comes when her late boss Edgar Halcyon's widow asks Mary Ann to handle the press regarding the Halcyons' daughter. DeDe, thought dead in the Jim Jones massacre, has reemerged as a gay Cuban refugee who believes Jones is alive. Strong language. 1982.

Babycakes: Tales of the City, Volume 4 RC 39604
by Armistead Maupin
read by Ray Hagen
2 cassettes
In the sequel to *Further Tales of the City (RC 39603)*, Brian, now married to Mary Ann, wants a baby. Believing Mary Ann is postponing pregnancy because of her career, Brian is unaware that she quit the pill months ago hoping to surprise him. To avoid telling Brian that he is probably sterile, Mary Ann takes desperate measures. Meanwhile, both Mouse and Mona do England. Strong language and descriptions of sex. 1984.

Significant Others: Tales of the City, Volume 5 RC 39605
by Armistead Maupin
read by Ray Hagen
2 cassettes
In the sequel to *Babycakes (RC 39604)*, Mary Ann, now a talk show host, and Brian have moved from Barbary Lane to the huge complex next door. Brian's feelings of unfulfillment over being a househusband are eclipsed when he learns an occasional lover has AIDS. Meanwhile, Mary Ann's acquaintances deal with an all-women festival, a retreat for society men, and a large fashion model. Strong language. 1987.

Sure of You: Tales of the City, Volume 6 RC 39606
by Armistead Maupin
read by Ray Hagen
2 cassettes
Three years after *Significant Others (RC 39605)*, local talk show host Mary Ann is offered a national program by her former lover Burke. Mary Ann's husband, Brian, is eager to move to

New York until he learns that Mary Ann is planning on leaving him and their adopted daughter behind. Meanwhile, Michael is taking AZT, and Anna Madrigal leaves for a month-long vacation on Lesbos with Mona. Strong language. 1989.

The Circle of the Gods RC 39609
by Victor Canning
read by Chuck Benson
2 cassettes
Sequel to *The Crimson Chalice (RC 36079)* in a trilogy set in King Arthur's time. Baradoc, son of a tribal chieftain in the west country, has married Tia, the Roman girl who came to his rescue. This is the story of their son Arturo, or Arthur, who grows up after the Romans have departed and left Britain to be fought over by the Saxons. Arthur, a somewhat unruly youth, determines to form an army to keep out intruders and to restore greatness to his homeland. 1977.

The Immortal Wound RC 39610
by Victor Canning
read by Chuck Benson
2 cassettes
Sequel to *The Circle of the Gods (RC 39609)*. Recreates the British world during the Dark Ages and King Arthur's years of greatness. Recounts Arthur's long, lonely striving to solidify his power and discipline an army to fight the crucial battle that will halt the invading Saxons for more than a century. 1978.

Doctor Criminale RC 39613
by Malcolm Bradbury
read by David Hartley-Margolin
3 cassettes
Doctor Bazlo Criminale is an urbane, sophisticated, intellectual man of the world, and now he is the subject of a television documentary. The researcher, Francis Jay, is a media man without depth. Jay trails Criminale, but the more he captures his subject on film, the more he becomes intimidated by what he does not know. Jay also wonders about certain details on Criminale's resume and whether the man could be a fraud. 1992.

Dark Rivers of the Heart RC 39658
by Dean Koontz
read by Jim Zeiger
4 cassettes
Loner ex-cop Spencer Grant is drawn to Valerie Keene, a cocktail waitress he's just met. Worried when she doesn't show up the next day, Spencer goes to her house and is immediately ambushed by mysterious, powerful law enforcement agents. Spencer escapes and, with his dog, tries to track Keene down. But Spencer's own haunting past and an agent playing God interfere with the chase. Strong language and violence. Bestseller 1994.

Torn Away RC 39756
by James Heneghan
read by John Lescault
1 cassette
Thirteen-year-old Declan is a wild Irish boy seeking revenge for family deaths. Declan's terrorist activities have persuaded the British authorities that the place for him is in Canada with an uncle who is offering him a fresh start. Declan slips out of the handcuffs that restrain him on the flight out of Belfast. He continues to resist, determined as he is to find a way back, until he learns the truth. For junior and senior high readers. 1994.

A Sentimental Education: The Story of a Young Man RC 39900
by Gustave Flaubert
read by Robert Blumenfeld
4 cassettes
A novel about a young man, a Paris law student, who falls in love with an older, married woman but never declares his love. Mme. Arnoux and her family leave Paris after a financial setback, but she and the student meet twenty years later and discuss what might have been. 1869.

A Place in the Sun: The Journals of Corrie Belle Hollister, Book 4 RC 40212
by Michael Phillips and Judith Pella
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
On November 4, 1856, the town of Miracle Springs votes for its next mayor and governor. Times have changed in Miracle Springs, as the names on the ballots indicate, but even more changes occur before the results are known. And both Katie and Almeda face some uncertain times before they allow God to quietly rule their lives. Sequel to *On the Trail of the Truth (RC 40211)*. 1991.

The Girl Who Heard Dragons RC 40259
by Anne McCaffrey
read by Mary Woods
2 cassettes
Collection of fifteen short stories. In the title story, the only tale of Pern, teenager Aramina's ability to communicate with dragons forces her to leave her family and follow her destiny. In "The Greatest Love," extrauterine fertilization raises the question of incest. Other tales deal with African magic, the American Civil War, and a futuristic Cinderella. Some strong language. 1994.

The Shattered Eye RC 40285
by Bill Granger
read by Chuck Benson
2 cassettes
Both the United States and the Soviet Union operate a complex system of computers. Mrs. Neumann, American intelligence, discovers that her computer files have been tampered with. But how were her files infiltrated? When William Manning, dispatched to Paris to unravel the problems, runs into his old lover, Jeanne Clermont, and loses his effectiveness, American intelligence calls upon Devereaux to help forestall World War III. Strong language. 1982.

The President's Daughter RC 40287
by Barbara Chase-Riboud
read by Yvonne Fair Tessler
5 cassettes
At twenty-one, Harriet Hemings, daughter of Sally Hemings and Thomas Jefferson, left Virginia and moved to Philadelphia, where she took the name of Harriet Petit and passed as a white woman for the remainder of her life. In this sequel to *Sally Hemings (RC 13990)*, Harriet struggles with the question of racial definition and identity in a world where she is, by law, black and a slave. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1994.

Ingram of the Irish: The Theyn Chronicles, Volume 3 RC 40291
by Angela Elwell Hunt
read by Graeme Malcolm
2 cassettes
Father Colum, an Irish monk, goes out into the villages to teach the children. One day he discovers a young woman being raped. He rescues her, cares for her wounds, and stays with her until she bears a child. But she dies in childbirth,

and Colum takes her son and flees to England. Now that child is twenty-six, and Colum has come to tell him of his birthright. Sequel to *The Troubadour's Quest (RC 40290)*. 1994.

Caldé of the Long Sun: The Book of the Long Sun, Volume 3 RC 40293
by Gene Wolfe
read by John Horton
2 cassettes
Patera Silk continues the quest he began in *Lake of the Long Sun (RC 40292)*, trying to save his parish and bring peace to Whorl. Silk finds himself battling Viron's current rulers, the gods he met start to manifest themselves, dysfunctional families begin possessing others, Silk discovers Blood's origins, and Silk meets the beautiful courtesan Hyacinth. Some violence. 1994.

Kristin Lavransdatter: Volume 2, The Mistress of Husaby RC 40413
by Sigrid Undset
read by Catherine Byers
3 cassettes (Reissue)
Set in medieval Norway, the story of Kristin's stormy married life and her struggle to preserve an estate for her seven sons. Sequel to *The Bridal Wreath (RC 40412)*. 1925.

Dreams Underfoot: The Newford Collection RC 40507
by Charles de Lint
read by Mary Woods
3 cassettes
Collection of nineteen interrelated short stories set in the imaginary city of Newford. Populating these urban myths are recurring characters who encounter monsters, goblins, ghosts, wizards, conjure men, and Bigfoot in city streets, music clubs, and restaurants. Some strong language. For high school and older readers. 1993.

Sweetbitter RC 40509
by Reginald Gibbons
read by Bob Askey
3 cassettes
In 1896 at a very young age, Reuben Sweetbitter, son of a white man and a Choctaw woman, is forced to make his way in a world he feels no part of. As Reuben grows up, he falls in love with the daughter of a prominent lawyer, but attitudes about racial differences make it difficult for him to have a good life with Martha. Instead they face fear and torment from many groups. Some strong language, some violence, and some descriptions of sex. 1994.

Absolute Truths RC 40512
by Susan Howatch
read by David Hartley-Margolin
5 cassettes
Starbridge, 1965. Bishop Charles Ashworth once again faces crises of faith and spirit. His staunch defense of a tradition that is under attack by a decadent society has earned him the nickname of "Anti-Sex Ashworth." But a greater crisis occurs when his wife, Lyle, dies suddenly and he becomes estranged from his sons, his colleagues, and his parishioners. Sequel to *Mystical Paths (RC 36068)*. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1994.

Dinosaur Fantastic RC 40540
by Mike Resnick
and Martin H. Greenberg
read by John Stratton
2 cassettes
Twenty-five original short stories relating to dinosaurs. Pat Cadigan's "Dino Trend" describes the Age of the

Nanosecond where people dress as dinosaurs and go to dino clubs. In "Wise One's Tale" by Josepha Sherman, Wise One, a Winged Hunter, explains how his people got their wings. In "Betrayal" by Susan Casper, a man ultimately betrays a mosasaur who once befriended him. For high school and older readers. 1993.

Good Morning, Irene RC 40585
by Carole Nelson Douglas
read by Patricia Kilgarriff
3 cassettes
After *Goodnight, Mr. Holmes (RC 40584)*, opera singer and amateur sleuth Irene Adler must fool Sherlock Holmes and the rest of London into thinking she and her bridegroom, Godfrey Norton, are dead. Instead they, along with Irene's sidekick Nell, are living in Paris. Irene amuses herself with Sarah Bernhardt until another mystery unfolds: a corpse with a missing digit and an arcane tattoo resembles the corpse she saw six years earlier at Bram Stoker's. 1990.

Antarctic Navigation RC 40601
by Elizabeth Arthur
read by Catherine Byers
6 cassettes
From the time she was a child, Morgan Lamont has wanted to duplicate Robert Falcon Scott's 1912 expedition to the South Pole by using the same route, equipment, and rations Scott used. She wants to prove that Scott's plan could have worked. As she tries, Lamont will cross over the ice of the Antarctic and be changed by it. 1994.

The Woods Out Back: Spearwielder's Tale, Volume 1 RC 40620
by R.A. Salvatore
read by Jamie Horton
2 cassettes
Gary Leger, a young college graduate with a dead-end job and an unfulfilled life, walks into the woods behind his house one day and enters a magic realm of leprechauns, witches, and dragons. He finds that the only way he can return home is to take the place of the realm's lost hero and wield a legendary spear against an evil sorceress. Prequel to *The Dragon's Dagger (RC 40621)*. 1993.

The Indian Chronicles RC 40630
by José Barreiro
read by Erik Sandvold
3 cassettes
In the late 1980s, the author researched his doctoral thesis in the West Indies, where he saw 1530s documents regarding Diego Colón, a Taíno Indian like himself, and Bishop Bartolomé de Las Casas. Barreiro's novel recounts in diary form the story of Colón, who was captured by newly landed Christopher Columbus, and of Las Casas, who fought to free the Indians from captivity. Some violence. 1993.

Redemption RC 40633
by Leon Uris
read by Jim Zeiger
5 cassettes
In this sequel to *Trinity (RC 9046)*, Uris continues his account of the Larkins, the Hubbles, and the Fitzpatricks. Liam Larkin settles in New Zealand and begins a family, while his brother Conor remains behind to fight for Irish freedom. Liam's son Rory follows in his uncle's footsteps, returning to Ireland with a mission of vengeance. Strong lan-

guage and some violence. Bestseller 1995.

Outlaw Hearts RC 40634
by Rosanne Bittner
read by Jill Ferris
4 cassettes
After her father is killed by raiders, young widow Miranda Hayes comes face to face with Jake Harkner, a wanted man, and shoots him. As she later nurses Jake back to health, she falls in love with him. Jake's problems began when, at fourteen, he killed his abusive father. Now he has both the law and an outlaw gang after him. Can he take on a new identity to have a life with Miranda? Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1993.

Sioux Dawn, the Fetterman Massacre, 1866: The Plainsmen, Book 1 RC 40639
by Terry C. Johnston
read by John Polk
3 cassettes
First of a series of historical novels examining the tragedies that occurred at Fort Phil Kearny. Through the eyes of Sergeant Seamus Donegan, Johnston examines the fate of the eighteenth infantry as they battled the Sioux Indians, led by Red Cloud, during the Fetterman Massacre of 1866. Prequel to *Red Cloud's Revenge (RC 40640)*. Violence, strong language, and descriptions of sex. 1990.

Agatha Raisin and the Potted Gardener RC 40641
by M.C. Beaton
read by Carmella Ross
1 cassette
After solving her second murder in *Agatha Raisin and the Vicious Vet (RC 39537)*, Agatha travels abroad. Returning to her adopted village, she learns that newcomer Mary Fortune, an avid gardener, has won the affections of James Lacey, the man Agatha desires. To compete, Agatha takes up gardening with dismal results. Her elaborate plans to cheat are interrupted by malicious pranks and murder. Some strong language. 1994.

The Claiming of Sleeping Beauty RC 40643
by A.N. Roquelaure
read by George Holmes
2 cassettes
Anne Rice, who uses the name of A.N. Roquelaure for her erotic novels, has taken the story of Sleeping Beauty beyond the traditional ending. Here the Prince awakens Beauty with much more than a kiss, and she becomes enslaved to him. Beauty later surrenders herself to Tristan, a slave, and is sold at an auction for punishment. Prequel to *Beauty's Punishment (RC 40644)*. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1983.

Beauty's Punishment RC 40644
by A.N. Roquelaure
read by George Holmes
2 cassettes
Anne Rice, under the name of A.N. Roquelaure, continues the Erotic Adventures of Sleeping Beauty. After being sold at auction for punishment, Beauty is brought to a village where she is taught lessons in discipline and submission. Sequel to *The Claiming of Sleeping Beauty (RC 40643)* and prequel to *Beauty's Release (RC 41076)*. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1984.

The Nightriders: The Wells Fargo Trail, Book 2 RC 40666
by Jim Walker
read by Jim Zeiger
2 cassettes
Wells Fargo agent Zachary Cobb is in California to investigate a series of gold shipment robberies. As he arrives in town, he stumbles upon the hanging of two men by the Vindicators, a group controlled by corrupt federal officials. As Zac tries to right the wrongs being done, he also has to worry about his girlfriend, who arrives in town unexpectedly. Sequel to *The Dreamgivers (RC 40665)*. 1994.

Lovers RC 40690
by Judith Krantz
read by Yvonne Fair Tessler
4 cassettes
Tale of loves found, lost, stolen, and recaptured, in which Krantz reintroduces characters from *Scruples (RC 11422)* and *Scruples Two (RC 34027)*. Gigi Orsini has left her job at Scruples Two to work for Frost/Rourke/Bernheim as a copywriter. Now she is ready for a new job, but finds surprises when she meets the people in her new situation. Strong language and explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1994.

A Son of the Circus RC 40696
by John Irving
read by Nick Sullivan
5 cassettes
Dr. Farrokh Daruwalla is a Toronto physician who spends a lot of time in Bombay trying to convince circus dwarfs to give him blood to study achondroplastic dwarfism. He is also a secret screenwriter who creates the role of Inspector Dhar for his friend Dhar. Dhar, Daruwalla, and a large cast of odd characters are involved in solving a series of murders of prostitutes in Bombay. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1994.

***Quicksand* and *Passing* RC 40702**
by Nella Larsen
read by Robin Miles
2 cassettes
Two novels about women in Harlem in the 1920s. *Quicksand* (1928) features Helga Crane, a sophisticated young woman of mixed lineage who moves between the white and black worlds and eventually entraps herself in marriage to a backwoods southern preacher. And in *Passing* (1929), Irene Redfield has a secret desire to banish her friend Clare Kendry, an African American passing for white, from her circle. 1986.

The Crystal Star RC 40722
by Vonda N. McIntyre
read by Chuck Benson
2 cassettes
While Princess Leia attempts to rescue her kidnapped children from a power-mad Empire loyalist, Luke Skywalker and Han Solo investigate a space-bending crystalline star that causes a disruption in the Force and adversely affects Luke's Jedi powers. And on a nearby planet, Luke and Han meet a charismatic alien with miraculous healing powers whose intentions are unclear. A Star Wars novel. 1994.

Siege of Darkness RC 40730
by R.A. Salvatore
read by Erik Sandvold
2 cassettes
The House of Baenre suffered a stinging defeat in Menzoberranzan, and Matron Baenre plans an act of revenge by assaulting Mithril Hall, the home of Bruenor Battlehammer. But Lloth, a

drow known as the Spider Queen and the Lady of Chaos, has unleashed her power in Menzoberranzan, and disorder reigns supreme. The only one who may save the town now is the dwarven king Errtu. Some violence. 1994.

There Was a Season RC 40731
by T.V. Olsen
read by Bob Askey
3 cassettes
While Confederate president Jefferson Davis sits in a northern prison, he thinks back thirty-three years and a thousand miles. That's when as a young soldier he first met Sarah Knox Taylor, the girl who, against her father's wishes, would eventually become his bride. But first Davis got a taste of field action in the Black Hawk War. Strong language and explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

The Fourth Procedure RC 40738
by Stanley Pottinger
read by David Hartley-Margolin
4 cassettes
Congressman MacLeod can't forget the long-ago death of his pregnant girlfriend. MacLeod and his lover, attorney Victoria Winters, are both under attack from pro-lifers. Winters's friend, transplant surgeon Rachel Redpath, is driven by a past event to perform mysterious procedures, and two men who bombed an abortion clinic are found dead with baby doll implants. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1995.

Beach Music RC 40753
by Pat Conroy
read by Robert Blumenfeld
5 cassettes
Jack McCall and his daughter, Leah, are living in Rome, having moved there following the suicide of his wife, Shyla, several years ago. Theirs is a peaceful life, but everything changes when his sister-in-law and several old school friends arrive asking for his help with serious personal matters. Soon Jack must face the demons of his past. Some strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1995.

Escape from Five Shadows RC 40802
by Elmore Leonard
read by L.J. Ganser
2 cassettes
Corey Bowen has served only one year of his seven-year sentence, but that's more than enough for a crime he didn't commit. Karla, the daughter of the stationmaster near the prison camp, is trying to get his conviction reversed. And Lizann, the wife of a prison official, offers to help Corey escape—if he takes her with him. Her husband and another official have been skimming money, and she wants out. Strong language and violence. 1956.

No Night Is Too Long RC 40804
by Barbara Vine
read by George Holmes
3 cassettes
Tim Cornish thinks he has gotten away with murder. Then the letters start coming. To anyone else they would appear to be quite innocent accounts of some historical event, but to Tim, they are very relevant. In this tale of sexual obsession and mistaken identity, Tim tells of his relationship with Ivo Steadman and how a friendship turned sinister. Some strong language. 1994.

Red Dust RC 40806
by Paul J. McAuley
read by J.P. Linton
3 cassettes
The planet Mars has been terraformed

and settled by Earthmen, mostly Chinese. Wei Lee wanders from settlement to settlement working as a technician until he meets and rescues a revolutionary from the asteroid belt who has crash-landed on Mars. This meeting transforms Wei Lee's life forever, as he begins an odyssey to save a dying Mars from its ruthless leaders and from the artificial intelligence that now controls Earth. Strong language. 1993.

***The Rendezvous* and Other Stories**
RC 40810
by Patrick O'Brian
read by Patrick Horgan
2 cassettes
These stories, like the Jack Aubrey-Stephen Maturin series, draw on history, nature, human idiosyncrasies, and details about British village life for their subject matter. In "The Chian Wine," the planned sharing of a treasured bottle of wine between two friends is shattered by mindless violence precipitated by ancient prejudice. 1994.

Busman's Honeymoon: A Love Story with Detective Interruptions RC 40812
by Dorothy L. Sayers
read by Tom Martin
3 cassettes
A country visit with strains of romance and crime. Lord Peter Wimsey and mystery writer Harriet Vane, two middle-aged eccentrics recently married, get caught up in mysterious complications while trying to sort out a sensible approach to their now-permanent relationship. 1937.

The Big Game RC 40814
by Sandy Schofield
read by James DeLotel
2 cassettes
Quark, the resident barkeep and shady businessman of *Deep Space Nine*, sponsors a high-stakes poker game that attracts gamblers from all over the galaxy. The game is only briefly interrupted by murder and by mysterious subspace waves that threaten to rip *Deep Space Nine* apart. Security Chief Odo and Commander Sisko have their work cut out for them in finding the murderer and saving the station from destruction. A Star Trek: *Deep Space Nine* novel. 1993.

The Raphael Affair RC 40828
by Iain Pears
read by Patrick Horgan
2 cassettes
English graduate student Jonathan Argyll is arrested for vagrancy in a Roman church where he claims to have found a missing Raphael. When the painting vanishes, reappearing on the British market, Generale Taddeo Bottando and researcher Flavia di Stefano of the Italian National Art Theft Squad become interested. Soon the investigation invades the international art world, turning trusted people into suspects and certain techniques into crimes. Some strong language. 1990.

Night Sins RC 40834
by Tami Hoag
read by L.J. Ganser
4 cassettes
Widower Mitch Holt is the chief of police in the small Minnesota town of Deer Lake. Megan O'Malley is the new state criminal field agent assigned to his region. The day she arrives, young Josh Kirkwood is kidnapped. The two cops immediately clash in their investigative methods. But as they begin a hellish two-week search for the boy, neither can deny their personal attraction to

each other. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1995.

A Cup of Christmas Tea RC 40835
by Tom Hegg
read by Terence Aselford
1 cassette
Shortly before Christmas a young man receives a letter from a great-aunt asking that he stop in for a cup of Christmas tea. Although he doesn't want to replace his childhood memories of her with what she might be like now, he reluctantly accepts. For senior high and older readers. 1982.

The Hundred Secret Senses RC 40838
by Amy Tan
read by Mitzi Friedlander
3 cassettes
Although Olivia is disappointed and often embarrassed by her Chinese-born half sister, she tolerates Kwan's eccentric, brassy, meddlesome ways and even her incessant discussions with nineteenth-century Chinese ghosts. Olivia is also disappointed with her marriage and its own ghost. Eventually Kwan helps Olivia to understand loyalty and unconditional love. Some violence, some descriptions of sex, and some strong language. Bestseller 1995.

Into the Battle: This Land, This Time, Volume 1 RC 40847
by Dobrica Ćosić
read by Ed Blake
3 cassettes
The first volume of an epic account of World War I in Serbia. The Archduke Franz Ferdinand and the Archduchess von Hohenberg are assassinated on June 28, 1914, in Sarajevo. Although Serbia denies any part in the act, this action so threatens the good, neighborly relations between Austria-Hungary and Serbia that the citizens must prepare for war. Prequel to *Time of Death (RC 40848)*. Some strong language and some violence. 1983.

Burning Angel RC 41004
by James Lee Burke
read by Bruce Huntey
2 cassettes
Sonny Boy Marsallus has to leave town when he interferes with the Giacanos' New Orleans action. But he returns to leave a mysterious notebook with Detective Dave Robicheaux, who is trying to help the Fontenot family with a claim against the land they have lived on for nearly a century. The Bertrands want it back. But why? Is there a connection with the information from Marsallus? Strong language, some violence, and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1995.

The Devil's Heart RC 41008
by Carmen Carter
read by Gary Tipton
2 cassettes
Captain Jean-Luc Picard and the crew of the *Enterprise* investigate the suspicious deaths of a team of Vulcan archaeologists on a barren planet. As a result, Picard finds the Devil's Heart, a legendary artifact that imparts unimaginable power to its possessor. It is an object that many are willing to kill for, and even a man of Picard's character may not be able to resist its seductive powers. A Star Trek: The Next Generation novel. 1993.

The Yellow Room Conspiracy RC 41013
by Peter Dickinson
read by Andy Chappell
2 cassettes
Now that she is dying, Lucy Vereker has two requests of her longtime lover and

friend, Paul Ackerley. One is to marry her, and the other is to explain how he killed Gerry Grantworth thirty-six years ago. Paul is shocked—he had always assumed that Lucy killed Gerry. They each agree to tell their side of the story, Paul on paper and Lucy on tape, and then compare notes. Some strong language. 1994.

No Witnesses RC 41019
by Ridley Pearson
read by Ray Foushee
3 cassettes
Seattle detective Lou Boldt, who last appeared with police psychologist Daphne Matthews in *The Angel Maker (RC 38392)*, now comes to the aid of Daphne's boyfriend. Food company executive Owen Adler has been receiving threatening faxes ordering him to shut down his business. Now a child is dying from intentionally contaminated soup. The frustrating case has no crime scene, no known motive, and no witnesses. Strong language and violence. 1994.

Rogue Warrior: Green Team RC 41020
by Richard Marcinko
and John Weisman
read by Roy Avers
3 cassettes
Marcinko and the U.S. Navy SEALS' Green Team have been assigned to rescue a Muslim terrorist in Cairo and bring him to the United States for trial. Meanwhile Marcinko learns that an explosion aboard a carrier in Portsmouth, England, has killed his mentor. Soon Marcinko finds himself battling a terrorist religious network. Sequel to *Rogue Warrior II: Red Cell (RC 37820)*. Violence and strong language. 1995.

Beauty from Ashes RC 41021
by Eugenia Price
read by Mitzi Friedlander
4 cassettes
St. Simons Island, Georgia, 1845. Anne Couper Fraser has had to face the death of her parents, her beloved husband John, and a daughter. Now she must face the loss of her much loved plantation on St. Simons Island. With the rest of her children, Anne moves to Marietta, Georgia, and begins to put her life back together—until war clouds begin to hover over her and the South. Sequel to *Where Shadows Go (RC 37209)*. 1995.

Mercy of a Rude Stream, Volume 2: A Diving Rock on the Hudson RC 41022
by Henry Roth
read by Barry Bernson
4 cassettes
Continues to follow Ira Stigman's struggle to shed his Jewish immigrant image. The now elderly Ira looks back at life in New York in the Roaring Twenties when his adolescent world often clashed with the Orthodox ways of his parents. Sequel to *A Star Shines over Mt. Morris Park (RC 38626)*. Strong language and descriptions of sex. 1995.

Rainbow's End RC 41023
by Rebecca Brandewyne
read by Madelyn Buzzard
3 cassettes
In 1877, Josselyn O'Rourke has spent the twelve years since her mother's death living in a Boston convent. Before she takes her vows to become a nun, she learns that her father, a miner in Colorado, has been killed. His will stipulates that Josselyn inherit his share of the gold mine only if she marries one of his partners. But Josselyn has reason to believe one of them killed her father!

Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1991.

A Going Concern RC 41031
by Catherine Aird
read by Barbara Caruso
1 cassette
Young Amelia Kennerly is surprised to be called by an undertaker from the English village of her great-aunt Octavia. Octavia died a week after getting her doctor's promise that he would examine her corpse. She also left instructions for police to attend her funeral and made Amelia, who didn't know her, her executrix. A confused Amelia arrives at Octavia's manor to find it has been thoroughly ransacked. Some strong language. 1993.

Dark Rider RC 41032
by Iris Johansen
read by Barbara Caruso
3 cassettes
In 1795 Charles Deville, his wife, and small daughter Cassie flee from France and a vengeful British duke. Years later, the duke of Morland tracks them down on a tropical island. Cassie fights to protect her father, whom the duke accuses of being responsible for his father's death. But at the same time, Cassie can't help being drawn to the young, attractive duke. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1995.

Hot Sky at Midnight RC 41033
by Robert Silverberg
read by J.P. Linton
3 cassettes
Human life on Earth faces extinction as toxicity in the air and the greenhouse effect push the Earth toward its final ecological collapse. A handful of people play out the passions of their personal lives trying to stave off their ultimate fate, while others look to escape into space. Still others think that humans can adapt to Earth's noxious environment through genetic engineering. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

Imperfect Strangers RC 41043
by Stuart Woods
read by Nick Sullivan
2 cassettes
The man sitting next to Sandy Kinsolving on the plane shares his problem: Both of their wives are planning to leave them, and both men will be destroyed financially as a result. Having just watched *Strangers on a Train*, they decide to solve their problems by killing each other's wives. Kinsolving soon calls off the plan, but the stranger goes ahead with the arrangement. Some strong language, some violence, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1995.

Double Date RC 41050
by R.L. Stine
read by Michael Pinney
1 cassette
Bobby Newkirk might be good-looking and an excellent guitarist, but he is also extremely conceited. He has dated all of the cheerleaders and now has plans to date both of the Wade twins, who are new in town. Bree is quiet and shy while Samantha is bold and sexy, so it should be easy to tell them apart. But Bobby soon begins to wonder just who is who. For junior and senior high readers. 1994.

Terminal Café RC 41052
by Ian McDonald
read by Christopher Hurt
3 cassettes
In future Los Angeles, new technolo-

gies have eradicated death. The resurrected dead live in necrovilles and clash with the living in the annual Night of the Dead. Against this backdrop, five friends—a drug designer, a cyberspace lawyer, a nanotech sculptor, a dinosaur safari guide, and a man with bioengineered wings—come together to fulfill their own personal death wishes. Strong language and violence. 1994.

My Golden Trades RC 41057
by Ivan Klíma
read by Robert Blumenfeld
2 cassettes
In these six short stories, Klíma writes about life under communism in Prague, Czechoslovakia, between 1983 and 1987, when a dissident author is forced to find other work. He tells of his experience as an archaeologist who hears the voices of spirits in a 2,500-year-old burial ground, a painter who must render the likeness of a girl who has committed suicide, and a smuggler who does jobs for which he is not trained. 1992.

The Stars for a Light: Cheney Duvall, M.D., Volume 1 RC 41058
by Lynn and Gilbert Morris
read by Suzanne Toren
2 cassettes
As Cheney Duvall, twenty-four, graduates from the Women's Medical College, she looks forward to beginning her career. But in the 1860s no one wants to hire a female physician. Then she learns that Asa Mercer is looking for a doctor to care for the several hundred women he is transporting from New York to Seattle. It is the first sea journey for many, and Cheney will have her hands full. 1994.

Icebound RC 41059
by Dean Koontz
read by Ed Blake
2 cassettes
United Nations researchers at the Arctic Circle are testing the feasibility of towing icebergs to use as a water supply in other parts of the world. Just as the team sets a final explosive, an earthquake breaks off the iceberg they are working on. As they rush to dismantle the bombs that are set to go off at midnight, they realize their chance of rescue is slim and one of their team is a killer. Some violence. Bestseller 1976.

Love Cools RC 41061
by W. Edward Blain
read by Nick Sullivan
2 cassettes
Richard Blackburn is kicked out of a private boys' school when his teacher, Oscar Davidson, accuses him of plagiarism. Richard plans revenge when he learns Davidson will be spending the summer at Richard's hometown arts school. But Richard isn't prepared for the aftermath of the suspicious death of Davidson's wife, Sarah, who died when their house burned down. Strong language and some violence. 1992.

Hexwood RC 41065
by Diana Wynne Jones
read by Graeme Malcolm
2 cassettes
A young boy wanders into Banners Wood near London and suddenly finds himself in another world with a robot and a dragon. Ann, who lives close to Banners Wood and Hexwood Farm, watches people go into a barn never to return. And in another galaxy, a controller gets a message about the old computer in the archival library at Hex-

wood Farm. Soon the lives of all these characters will merge. For junior and senior high and older readers. 1993.

The Caveman's Valentine RC 41066
by George Dawes Green
read by L.J. Ganser
2 cassettes
Romulus Ledbetter objects to being called homeless; he has a home, a cave in a park in New York City, and he takes care of it. When a body is found outside the cave, police blame the freezing weather, but Romulus suspects Stuyvesant, a nemesis who bombards him with invisible rays. Romulus decides to sally forth and investigate after hearing that the dead man had been held prisoner and tortured by a trendy artist. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

A Change of Place RC 41070
by Tracy Sinclair
read by Barbara Caruso
2 cassettes
Children's book author Kimberly Jamison is surprised to see her identical twin sister, Domenique, at her door. Domenique, a top Paris fashion model, has returned to New York to recover from her drinking problem. Afraid that her career will be ruined if word gets out, Domenique begs Kimberly to take her place in Paris but warns her to avoid certain people, including arrogant Alain Marchand. Some strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1991.

Urban Romance: A Novel of New York in the 80s RC 41072
by Nelson George
read by L.J. Ganser
2 cassettes
Dwayne Robinson is a black music critic in New York who dreams of writing a book. He meets and falls for Danielle Embry, a book editor who has just been accepted into Columbia Journalism School. Meanwhile, Danielle's law-student roommate has an affair with a married judge, and Dwayne's roommate and mentor finally settles down with one woman. Strong language and explicit descriptions of sex. 1993.

People of the Wolf: The First North Americans, Volume 1 RC 41113
by W. Michael Gear
and Kathleen O'Neal Gear
read by Jim Zeiger
3 cassettes
The authors, archaeologists, look at North America through the eyes of a people who forged a path from the old world into the new. This account begins as the Ice Age ends and the People are led into new and plentiful hunting grounds by the Wolf Dreamer. Prequel to *People of the Fire (RC 41114)*. Violence, some strong language, and some descriptions of sex. For high school and older readers. 1990.

A Fruitful Vine: Miriam's Journal, Volume 1 RC 41118
by Carrie Bender
read by Jill Ferris
1 cassette
The summer her mother dies, Miriam, an unmarried forty-year-old Amish woman, takes a job as housekeeper to a young widower and begins this journal. Miriam worries over and becomes emotional about the romantic lives of others, including her employer. She even offers to pretend to date her neighbor to pique the interest of his sometime girlfriend. Then Miriam falls in love. Prequel to *A Winding Path (RC 41119)*. 1993.

Hard Landing RC 41121
by Algis Budrys
read by Jim Zeiger
1 cassette
In the 1950s, an alien spaceship crash lands in a New Jersey bog. The four survivors resemble Earthmen in most respects, and in order to survive they must go their separate ways and secretly assimilate into Earth society. Thus begin both a long personal odyssey for each of these aliens and unexpected and far-reaching effects on the future of the Earth. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1993.

Born in Ice RC 41122
by Nora Roberts
read by Mary Woods
2 cassettes
In this sequel to *Born in Fire (RC 39873)*, Irish Maggie Concannon's sister, Brianna, has turned the family home into a bed-and-breakfast. Brianna is excited to have a paying guest for the cold winter: American mystery writer Grayson Thayne. She also discovers that her late father has a third child in America and that he made one last long-shot investment before he died. Strong language and explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1995.

Two Alone RC 41126
by Sandra Brown
read by Jill Ferris
2 cassettes
Rusty Carlson has left her father in a remote hunting lodge when the small plane she is in crashes. Only she and a surly man named Cooper Landry survive. Although Cooper is disdainful of the type of woman he thinks Rusty is, he nurses the wound she sustained and keeps her alive. Their verbal clashes contrast with the physical desire they both fight as they lie together for warmth. Strong language and explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1987.

The Thrill of Victory RC 41131
by Sandra Brown
read by Yvonne Fair Tessler
1 cassette
Judd Mackie, newspaper columnist, is still in bed nursing a hangover when tennis star Stevie Corbett collapses on the tennis court. Mackie hopes to redeem himself by doing a follow-up story on what actually happened to Miss Corbett. But when Mackie learns the truth about Corbett, the only way he can write the year's biggest story is to betray Corbett's trust. Some strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1989.

In the Shadow of the Mountains RC 41133
by Rosanne Bittner
read by Jill Ferris
6 cassettes
Mountain man David Kirkland's former lover, Gray Bird Woman, has given birth to twins and wants him to take the daughter. He marries orphaned Beatrice to care for the baby, Irene. They have two children of their own, and David strikes it rich. Determined that Irene have a privileged life, Bea conceals the girl's Indian heritage and destroys a budding romance between Irene and a Mexican carpenter. Strong language and explicit descriptions of sex. 1991.

Mountain Jack Pike: Volume 2, Rocky Mountain Kill RC 41135
by Joseph Meek
read by Chuck Benson
1 cassette
Jack Pike is a rugged mountain man. While he strikes terror in others, he is haunted by a recurring nightmare that leaves him defenseless. When he sets off on a buffalo hunt with only a pretty lady to comfort him, he finally faces the reality of his dream. Some strong language. 1989.

Desired RC 41139
by Virginia Henley
read by Jill Ferris
4 cassettes
Now that she is seventeen, Lady Brianna of Bedford knows a husband must be chosen for her. But will he be the man in her dreams with aquamarine eyes? She is soon betrothed to Robert de Beauchamp. Then his bastard brother, Prince Christian Hawksblood, returns to England to serve King Edward and his son, the Black Prince, and is immediately drawn to Brianna. Explicit descriptions of sex and some violence. Bestseller 1995.

Winter Moon RC 41144
by Dean Koontz
read by David Hartley-Margolin
3 cassettes
LAPD officer Jack McGarvey and his partner are talking with a service station owner when death arrives in an emerald-green Lexus. Within moments, the gravely wounded Jack is the only one left alive. When he recovers, Jack, his wife, and his son move to Montana where they have inherited a ranch. But there is an evil in the Montana woods—a ghostly amber light seems to glow in the forest, and people become inhabited by others. Strong language and violence. Bestseller 1994.

Windleaf RC 41148
by Josepha Sherman
read by Erik Sandvold
1 cassette
Eighteen-year-old Count Thierry rescues a mysterious young woman named Glinfinial from the ancient forests that surround his estate. They fall in love and want to get married, but Glinfinial's father turns out to be the powerful Faerie Lord Tiernathal, who prohibits the marriage and spirits his daughter back into the forest. To win Glinfinial, Thierry must undertake a dangerous quest against powerful magic. For high school and older readers. 1993.

Earthfall: Homecoming, Volume 4 RC 41167
by Orson Scott Card
read by Carole Jordan Stewart
3 cassettes
As commanded by the Oversoul, Nafai and his extended family leave the planet Harmony and travel through space toward Earth where they hope to find the ancient technology that can help the Oversoul. But again the hatred and jealousy of Elemak, Nafai's older brother, threaten the mission and will have dire consequences once the travelers reach Earth. Sequel to *The Ships of Earth (RC 38642)*. 1995.

Gun, with Occasional Music RC 41171
by Jonathan Lethem
read by Ray Foushee
2 cassettes
Conrad Metcalf, a private inquisitor, works in a near-future Oakland, California. He is listening to a musical version of the news when he is approached

by Orton Angwine. Orton has been accused of the murder of a prominent doctor, and he is totally out of karmic points. The next step for Orton is the deep freeze—unless Metcalf can help him. 1994.

The Well-Mannered Assassin RC 41172
by Aline, Countess of Romanones
read by Mitzi Friedlander
3 cassettes
Fiction based on the author's experience. In 1977 Aline, an American-born model and now the wife of a Spanish count, meets an attractive man named Carlos and returns to the espionage work that she had left after World War II. When she discovers that her new friend is the deadly terrorist known as Carlos the Jackal, Aline's jet-setting life takes on a mixture of fast moves and danger. 1994.

The River Sorrow RC 41181
by Craig Holden
read by Ray Foushee
2 cassettes
When someone murders junkies in Morgantown and synthetic heroin is found with the bodies, police detective Frank Brandon suspects that Dr. Adrian Lancaster is involved. As a medical student in nearby Detroit, Lancaster was addicted to heroin, but his chemist girlfriend, also a junkie, made him go straight before she disappeared. Now Lancaster says someone is framing him. Strong language, violence, and descriptions of sex. 1994.

Stations of the Tide RC 41182
by Michael Swanwick
read by James DeLotel
2 cassettes
The bureaucrat is sent to the planet Miranda to track down the renegade scientist and magician, Gregorian, who has acquired forbidden technologies for unknown purposes. As the bureaucrat tries to counter Gregorian's powers, he must unravel the ecological mysteries of Miranda's Jubilee Tides, a cyclical inundation of the continents caused by the melting of the planet's icecaps every 200 years. Some descriptions of sex. 1991 Nebula Award. 1991.

The Bridge of San Luis Rey RC 41185
by Thornton Wilder
read by David Palmer
1 cassette (Reissue)
First published in 1927 and winner of the Pulitzer Prize in 1928, this novel surveys the lives of five Peruvian travelers, victims of the collapse of a famous Incan bridge in 1714. Franciscan Brother Juniper, witness to the tragedy, weaves a story revealing how these people came together on the bridge at that final moment. Was it fate or was it an act of God? 1986.

Stormy Weather RC 41190
by Carl Hiaasen
read by Christopher Walker
3 cassettes
As a hurricane hurtles through Florida, a handful of unusual people react in peculiar ways. Honeymooning Max Lamb eagerly videotapes the wreckage but is soon kidnapped by a reclusive ex-governor called Skink. Meanwhile two hustlers try to stage an insurance scam, and Max's new wife hunts for him with the help of a millionaire who juggles skulls. Strong language, some violence, and some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1995.

Whispers of Love RC 41194
by Shirley Hailstock
read by Marcia Churchill
3 cassettes
Robyn was a material witness in a federal case. To allow her pilot husband, Grant, to continue his career, Robyn chose to go into the Witness Protection Program alone, letting Grant think she had died. When they meet again after five years, Grant doesn't recognize surgically altered Robyn, now called Brooke, and he falls in love with her. But someone hurt by Robyn's testimony has found her, too. Explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 1994.

Kipling's Science Fiction RC 41197
by Rudyard Kipling
read by Gregory Gorton
2 cassettes
Ten stories about strange encounters, time travel, sentient machinery, alternate history, and other science fiction themes, written by the early Nobel laureate between 1893 and 1932. Includes the stories "A Matter of Fact," "Wireless," "The Ship Who Found Herself," "As Easy as A.B.C.," "In the Same Boat," and "The Eye of Allah" and the poem "The Fairies' Siege." Also includes a short biographical sketch of Kipling's life. 1992.

The Fan RC 41202
by Peter Abrahams
read by Gregory Gorton
2 cassettes
Gil Renard is excited about the Sox's chances this year, now that they've signed Bobby Rayburn. But the rest of Gil's life is falling apart. His ex-wife won't let him see their son anymore, and he's been laid off by the knife company his father founded. Reminiscing about his Little League glory days and becoming more and more obsessed with Bobby Rayburn, Gil loses touch with reality. Strong language, violence, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1995.

Five Days in Paris RC 41246
by Danielle Steel
read by Ann Hodapp
2 cassettes
Peter Haskell, president of a major pharmaceutical company, is in Paris awaiting test results on a drug that could revolutionize cancer care. Olivia Thatcher, who lost her son to cancer, is also in Paris. While Peter's family means everything to him, Olivia feels she no longer knows her husband, a renowned United States senator. One night Peter and Olivia meet, and their lives are changed forever. Some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1995.

Puerto Vallarta Squeeze RC 41247
by Robert James Waller
read by Ray Foushee
2 cassettes
Danny Pastor has been killing time in bars and in bed in Mexico, waiting for his writer's block to abate. He witnesses a murder and agrees to drive the shooter back to the United States, hoping to get a story out of it. Luz, a former prostitute who has been helping Danny pass the time, comes along, but none of them expects the troubles that lie ahead. Violence, strong language, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1995.

Heart of the West RC 41259
by Penelope Williamson
read by Ilona Dulaski
5 cassettes
Boston-reared Clementine Kennicutt longs to escape the authoritarian rule of

her pious father. So when she meets cowboy Gus McQueen, she quickly accepts his proposal and elopes with him. But nothing prepares her for her meeting with Gus's brother Zach. As Clementine learns to survive in the Montana wilderness of the 1880s, she must also struggle against her growing attraction to Zach. Strong language, explicit descriptions of sex, and some violence. 1995.

The History of Danish Dreams
RC 41277
by Peter Heg
read by Christopher Walker
3 cassettes
A novel of magic realism that relates Danish history through a family saga. After the Count discovers his property is not the center of the universe, he walls off his estate and suspends time. Four hundred years later, Carl Laurids is born and adopted by the estate's steward. Eventually, Carl marries Amalie, and their child, Carsten, continues the mythical tale into a third generation. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1995.

Shadowmaker RC 41280
by Joan Lowery Nixon
read by Cecelia Riddett
1 cassette
Katie Gillian and her mom, Eve, an investigative reporter, have moved to the small town of Kluney, Texas, so Eve can write a novel and escape the trouble they have had since Eve wrote a series of articles about toxic waste dumps. But trouble seems to follow Katie and her mom. They discover there is a toxic waste dump in Kluney, and two murders take place. Is there a connection? For junior and senior high readers. 1994.

Prime Time RC 41316
by Sandra Brown
read by Madelyn Buzzard
1 cassette
Andrea (Andy) Malone works for a cable television station, but she really wants to work for a big network. She thinks she stands a good chance of getting such a job if she can get an interview with General Ratliff, a retired military man who lives in seclusion on a Texas ranch. But what Andy doesn't bargain for is dealing with Lyon Ratliff, the general's son. Explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. Bestseller 1983.

Trying to Save Piggy Sneed RC 41403
by John Irving
read by Gordon Gould
3 cassettes
Collection of short works contains three memoirs including the title entry, six short stories, and homages to writers Charles Dickens and Günter Grass. As Irving tells the story of his grandmother's retarded garbage collector, Piggy Sneed, he warns that any memoir from a writer with a good imagination is false. This and many of the other pieces were previously published in journals. Some strong language. 1996.

Remember When RC 41406
by Robin Lee Hatcher
read by Susan Nardone
2 cassettes
Homestead, Idaho, 1898. Sarah McLeod is due to marry Warren Wesley in two weeks, but she is having second thoughts. She really wants to travel and see other places. Her brother Tom is coming home for Christmas, and when

Sarah meets him at the train, she also sees Jeremiah Wesley, Warren's brother, who has been gone for fourteen years. Jeremiah's return will have a huge impact on the entire town. Some descriptions of sex. 1994.

Maigret in Holland RC 41452
by Georges Simenon
read by Gordon Gould
1 cassette
When a French scholar is suspected of murder while he's on a lecture tour in Holland, he calls for his friend Maigret, even though the inspector can't speak Dutch. The visiting scholar had been a guest of the victim, who was a teacher on a cadet training ship. But others were present at the time the murder was committed, and when Maigret stages a reenactment of the crime, he gets to the real story. 1940.

A Long Fatal Love Chase RC 41453
by Louisa May Alcott
read by Barbara Caruso
2 cassettes
Written in 1866, this book is now published for the first time. Rosamond Vivian, eighteen, lives with her grandfather on an island estate off England's coast. She longs to escape the solitude, and her chance arrives in the form of Phillip Tempest, almost twice her age. They marry, and he takes her with him to his villa near Nice. But Rosamond soon suspects that all is not as it first appeared. She even fears that her husband is a murderer. Bestseller 1995.

Mystique RC 41459
by Amanda Quick
read by George Holmes
2 cassettes
Hugh the Relentless has come to Lady Alice of Lingwood Manor seeking the green crystal that represents his hold on Scarcliffe Keep. But alas, the stone has been stolen from Lady Alice. She strikes a bargain with Hugh in which she will help him search for the stone if he will give her a dowry to enter a convent. Hugh agrees, but Lady Alice must spend a year with him first. Some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1995.

Denial RC 41538
by Bonnie Comfort
read by Laura Giannarelli
3 cassettes
Psychologist Sarah Rinsley has an attractive new patient, attorney Nick Arnholt, who is experiencing stress-related symptoms. Arnholt immediately becomes obsessed with Rinsley and tries to seduce her. She continues the therapy in hopes of uncovering a clue from Arnholt's childhood. Meanwhile she begins a relationship with restaurant owner Humberto Cortazar. Strong language and explicit descriptions of sex. 1995.

Books for Children

Books listed in this issue of *Talking Book Topics* were recently sent to cooperating libraries. The complete collection contains books by many authors on fiction and nonfiction subjects, including animals, geography, nature, mystery, sports, and others. Contact your cooperating library to learn more about the wide range of books available in the collection.

In this listing, cassette books, labeled with the code RC, play at 15/16 ips. To order books, fill out the order form and send it to your cooperating library.

Cassettes Nonfiction

Coming Home: From the Life of Langston Hughes RC 39530
by Floyd Cooper
read by Chuck Young
1 cassette
When Langston Hughes was a young boy he lived in a house in Kansas with his grandmother, but he kept dreaming of having a home with his mother and father. He also wrote verses about all the things he knew best—the people, street corner blues, singing in the church, the library, grandma's stories, and the theater where his mother performed. Finally he found a sense of home within himself. For grades K-3. 1994.

From Sea to Shining Sea: A Treasury of American Folklore and Folk Songs RC 41026
compiled by Amy L. Cohn
read by Janis Gray
2 cassettes
Collection of more than 140 tales, poems, songs, and stories that provide a history of the United States. Topics include the creation, immigrants coming to America, the Revolutionary War, westward expansion, slavery, animals, sports, and ghost stories. For grades 2-4 and older readers. 1993.

Wolves RC 41035
by Gail Gibbons
read by J.P. Linton
1 cassette
Facts, tales, and myths about the gray wolf, sometimes called the timber wolf. Where did this wild animal come from, where does it live, what does it look like, how big is it, what does it eat, how does it find friends, what sounds does it make, why are some people afraid of it, and why do we need to protect it? For grades K-3 and older readers. 1994.

Hoboes: Wandering in America, 1870–1940 RC 41069
by Richard Wormser
read by Nick Sullivan
1 cassette
Portrait of wanderers known as hoboes, tramps, and bums, whose lives were closely tied to the expansion and decline of the railroads in America. The wanderers, mostly men, made up their own language, signals, codes, songs, and customs as they traveled about, usually looking for work. Though romanticized at times, the wandering life was often dangerous. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 1994.

The Children of the Morning Light: Wampanoag Tales RC 41130
by Manitonquat (Medicine Story)
read by Bob Askey
1 cassette
Members of the Wampanoag Native American tribe in Massachusetts are also known as Children of the Morning Light. The author, a tribal elder, tells

his tribe's creation stories, which feature Maushop, grandson of the moon. Maushop made the land, plants, animals, and people. His jealous twin brother made poisonous plants and animals. Maushop became the helper and teacher of the people. For grades 3-6. 1994.

Animals Who Have Won Our Hearts RC 41173
by Jean Craighead George
read by Madelyn Buzzard
1 cassette
Ten true tales of intelligent and brave animals. Blind Tom was a horse who helped build the transcontinental railroad in the 1860s. Half-wolf, half-malamute sled dog Balto delivered antitoxin to stop diphtheria in Alaska in 1925. Gorilla Koko learned sign language and communicates with humans. Since 1871, Pennsylvanians have been naming groundhogs Punxsutawney Phil and relying on them to predict the coming of spring. For grades 3-6. 1994.

The Circulatory System RC 41211
by Alvin Silverstein and others
read by Patricia McDermott
1 cassette
There are over 62,000 miles of blood vessels in a human's circulatory system. This book discusses these veins and arteries, the blood that flows through them, the heart that pumps the blood, and other aspects of the circulatory system such as its development in a fetus. For grades 5-8. 1994.

Hand in Hand: An American History through Poetry RC 41214
edited by Lee Bennett Hopkins
read by Janis Gray
1 cassette
Seventy-eight poems written by poets including Langston Hughes, Carl Sandburg, Walt Whitman, and Robert Frost tell of the history of the United States. The collection begins with pieces about the pilgrims in the 1600s, and one of the final entries is a poem about sending mail to relatives in space. For grades 4-7. 1994.

Iroquois Stories: Heroes and Heroines, Monsters and Magic RC 41284
retold by Joseph Bruchac
read by Faith Potts
1 cassette
Collection of thirty-two traditional Iroquois tales often told around the longhouse fire in wintertime. Includes stories about the Creation, how the bear lost his tail, how the buzzard got his feathers, the turtle's race with a beaver and then a bear, the vampire skeleton, and the hunting of the great bear. Some violence. For grades 3-6. 1985.

Charles Darwin and Evolution RC 41287
by Steve Parker
read by Terence Aselford
1 cassette
Charles Darwin, a naturalist, developed the theory of evolution through natural selection. His ideas caused a revolution in science and society. The author traces the life of Darwin from his birth in 1809 in Shrewsbury, England, through his natural history expedition aboard the HMS *Beagle* and the development of his theory of evolution. For grades 3-6 and older readers. 1992.

Oh, the Places He Went: A Story about Dr. Seuss—Theodor Seuss Geisel
RC 41309
by Maryann N. Weidt
read by Andy Chappell
1 cassette
Weidt recounts Geisel's life from his early days in Springfield, Massachusetts, through his death in 1991 at the age of eighty-seven. She describes the problems Geisel had getting his first book published, his marriage to Helen Palmer whom he met at Oxford University, and his charitable activities. For grades 3-6 and older readers. 1994.

Street Music: City Poems RC 41462
by Arnold Adoff
read by Lindsay Ellison
1 cassette
Collection of poems illustrating how young children view the city around them through the use of their senses. A young boy, born in the city, looks up at the magic of tall buildings passing through the clouds. He sees rainbows through the fire hydrant's highest splashes of water. The garbage truck is his alarm clock, and all the food carts on his street are an avenue to the world. For grades K-3. 1995.

Cassettes Fiction

Shadow over San Mateo: Golden Filly, Book 6 RC 38834
by Lauraine Snelling
read by Robin Miles
1 cassette
Tricia Evanston, sixteen, has just won the biggest race of her life, but her father was not there to see her win. He died just as the race began. Adding to her sorrow is the fact that Spitfire will now go to a stud farm in Kentucky. How can she live without her father and without Spitfire? How could God do this to her? Sequel to *Call for Courage (RC 38833)*. For grades 6-9. 1993.

Out of the Mist: Golden Filly, Book 7
RC 38835
by Lauraine Snelling
read by Robin Miles
1 cassette
Tricia Evanston is having a hard time accepting the fact that her dad is gone forever, and she hasn't won a race since the Triple Crown. Has her desire to race died, too? Once again Tricia finds herself doubting God and wondering if she will ever know the kind of peace her father found. Sequel to *Shadow over San Mateo (RC 38834)*. For grades 6-9. 1993.

Stellaluna RC 39478
by Janell Cannon
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
A baby bat and its mother are out looking for something to eat when they are attacked by an owl. The baby falls, landing headfirst in a nest of baby birds. Growing up with birds, the bat learns to eat bugs, sleep at night, and hang by her thumbs, until one day her mother finds her. Soon she learns to eat fruit, fly at night, and hang by her feet, but she is still friends with the birds. For preschool-grade 2. 1993.

Emily Good as Gold RC 39529
by Susan Goldman Rubin
read by Celeste Lawson
1 cassette
Thirteen-year-old Emily has always been "as good as gold," according to her parents. But Emily, who is developmentally disabled, has been over pro-

tected. Then her older brother gets married, and his new wife gives Emily new ideas. Now Emily wants to be like other girls her age and is confused by the encounters she has with boys. In time she learns how to recognize real friends and how to convince her parents that she is growing up. For grades 6-9. 1993.

Catkin RC 39825
by Antonia Barber
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
When Catkin is born, Wise Woman knows he is a special cat, and she gives him to a farmer and his wife who have finally had a child after many years. Wise Woman tells Catkin that he must watch over the child and let no harm come to her. But one day Catkin becomes fascinated by a butterfly and forgets his duty. When he returns, the child has been replaced by a changeling. Catkin sets out to rescue the girl from the Little People. For grades K-3. 1994.

I Love You, Bunny Rabbit RC 39992
by Shulamith Levey Oppenheim
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
Micah's stuffed bunny rabbit is very dirty. Micah and his mother give Bunny Rabbit a bath, but the chocolate milk and mud stains won't come out. The next day, Micah's mother takes him to a toy store to look at new bunnies. For preschool-grade 2. 1995.

The Bad Times of Irma Baumlein RC 39993
by Carol Ryrie Brink
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette (Reissue)
To impress classmates in her new school, Irma Baumlein brags to her new friend Judy Miller that she owns the biggest doll in the world. But what is Irma going to do when her friends want to see her doll? For grades 3-5. 1972.

Shark Shock RC 40668
by Donna Jo Napoli
read by Michael Pinney
1 cassette
Adam needs his talking freckles to help him again in this sequel to *Soccer Shock (RC 40667)*. This time Adam's family is getting ready to spend summer vacation at the Jersey shore. But only a few days ago, Adam's friend Grayson gave a class report on the danger of sharks. As Adam tries to get his freckle friends to warn him about sharks, Seth, a blind boy, overhears him and tells Adam about how he overcame his fears. Some strong language. For grades 3-6. 1994.

Little House on Rocky Ridge RC 40671
by Roger Lea MacBride
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
1 cassette
In 1894, following several years of fires and drought, Laura and Almanzo Wilder decide to leave their farm in South Dakota and travel to Missouri where they hope the land will be better. Their daughter Rose describes the trip across the "Big Muddy" river, meeting with Russian families, finding a stray dog that becomes her pet, buying a farm, and holding a barn raising. Prequel to *Little Farm in the Ozarks (RC 40672)*. For grades 3-6. 1993.

Little Farm in the Ozarks RC 40672
by Roger Lea MacBride
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
1 cassette
In the sequel to *Little House on Rocky Ridge (RC 40671)*, Rose and her par-

ents, Laura and Almanzo Wilder, are still waiting for their apple trees to mature on their new farm in Missouri. When Rose is finally allowed to start school, she is dismayed by the dull lessons and the snooty attitude of the town girls in her third-reader class. But by year's end, Rose has made a school friend. For grades 3-6. 1994.

Indiana Jones and the Dance of the Giants RC 40710
by Rob MacGregor
read by Bob Askey
2 cassettes
Deirdre Campbell tells her young professor, Indy, about a Merlin scroll. Indy is definitely interested. But so is Adrian Powell, a member of Parliament. Indy drops his teaching duties and joins Deirdre for a hunt. They travel across Scotland and England, ending up at Stonehenge. And Indy learns some tough lessons. Some strong language. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 1991.

Indiana Jones and the White Witch RC 40740
by Martin Caidin
read by Bob Askey
2 cassettes
Indy's friend Gale lives among some English people who belong to a group of white witches, known to possess a map that locates gold hidden in the United States. A gang of thugs, headed by Cordas, wipes out the secluded group and steals the map. Indy and his friends, aided by British and U.S. agencies and some witchcraft, manage to capture Cordas and to recover the buried treasure. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 1994.

Then Again, Maybe I Won't RC 40800
by Judy Blume
read by Michael Pinney
1 cassette (Reissue)
Tony Miglione believes that if his parents were to read his mind, they would be surprised and shocked at his thoughts about his shoplifting neighbor and friend, the changes money makes in his parents, and his own sexual development. For grades 6-9. 1971.

I Left My Sneakers in Dimension X RC 40832
by Bruce Coville
read by Christopher Hurt
1 cassette
Rod Allbright is looking forward to summer vacation—until his mother informs him that his cousin Elspeth is coming to stay for two weeks. But having her around is the least of his problems when they are both kidnapped by Smorkus Flinders and held hostage in order to trap Rod's friends from the spaceship *Ferkel*. Rod makes a surprising discovery before he returns from Dimension X. Sequel to *Aliens Ate My Homework (RC 40831)*. For grades 4-7. 1994.

Trapped at the Bottom of the Sea: The Cooper Kids Adventure, Book 4 RC 41017
by Frank E. Peretti
read by Jack Fox
1 cassette
Lila Cooper, her brother Jay, and their father, Dr. Jake Cooper, are in Japan on a cultural exchange program when Lila decides to return to the States and stay with her aunt. She hitches a ride on a military plane. But suddenly that plane is hijacked, and Lila finds herself at the bottom of the sea in a watertight

pod with a limited air supply. Sequel to *The Tombs of Anak (RC 41016)*. For grades 5-8. 1988.

Brother Moose RC 41036
by Betty Levin
read by Nona Pipes
2 cassettes
In the late 1800s, Canadian orphans Nell and Louisa are on the way to their new adoptive families. Because Louisa is slightly mentally disabled, Nell has looked out for her and is worried about their being apart. Harsh circumstances bring them back together after a short separation, and, along with Joe, an Indian, and his grandson, Peter, they travel through a harsh winter to find Nell's new family in northern Maine. For grades 5-8. 1990.

***The Knee-High Man* and Other Tales RC 41039**
by Julius Lester
read by Gordon Gould
1 cassette (Reissue)
A collection of six animal tales from black folklore. In the title story, a man learns about wanting something he doesn't need. Other stories include the adventures of the farmer and Mr. Snake, Mrs. Wind and Mrs. Water, the dog and Mr. Cat, and Mr. Rabbit and Mr. Bear. For grades 3-6. 1972.

Josepha: A Prairie Boy's Story RC 41047
by Jim McGugan
read by Richard Davidson
1 cassette
Josepha's friend is sad to see Josepha leave school. Josepha, fourteen, is from the Old Country and can't speak English, so he must sit in the primary row and take the teasing of the older children. But one year is enough, and now Josepha will go to the fields and make a dollar a day. Before Josepha leaves, his friend wants him to know how much he will be missed. But how can he show Josepha? For grades 2-4. 1994.

Under the Bridge RC 41049
by Ellen Kindt McKenzie
read by Michael Pinney
1 cassette
"It happened so fast. One day everything was the way it should be. The next day it was different. All wrong." For ten-year-old Ritchie and his four-year-old sister, Rosie, life changed dramatically the night their mother went away. Their father won't tell them when she is coming home, Rosie gets sick, and the school bully tries to beat Ritchie up. Then the letters from the troll start to arrive. For grades 4-7. 1994.

Rebel RC 41054
by Allan Baillie
read by John Horton
1 cassette
The general comes across the plain of Burma with his clanking tanks, wheeled guns, and hard-faced soldiers. The soldiers march through the town and bring every person before the general. The people are afraid and nobody speaks. Suddenly one child breaks the general's spell. Based on an actual incident in Rangoon. For preschool-grade 2. 1994.

The Great Snake Escape RC 41055
by Molly Coxe
read by Suzanne Toren
1 cassette
Mirabel the goose panics when she reads a headline saying a snake has escaped from the zoo. Her friend Maxie the frog suggests they find out if the snake eats geese or frogs. But the newspaper is in a trash can. How can Maxie

and Mirabel get it out? For grades K-3. 1994.

Hattie Baked a Wedding Cake
RC 41063
by Toby Speed
read by Suzanne Toren
1 cassette
The cobbler and the cook are getting married, and Hattie bakes the wedding cake. Hattie puts in flour, eggs, raisins, and nuts, but then a few other ingredients get mixed in to make a very unusual cake. For grades K-3. 1994.

Great Grandfather's House RC 41068
by Rumer Godden
read by Yolande Bavan
1 cassette
Keiko, seven, is not happy when she learns she must spend three months in rural Japan with her great-grandparents while her parents are in England. Keiko, who has grown up in the city, is rambunctious and careless and at first upsets her great-grandparents and her cousin Yoji, who are used to an orderly life in the country. But the quietness of the country soon begins to affect Keiko. For grades 4-7. 1992.

The Witches of Worm RC 41124
by Zilpha Keatley Snyder
read by Pam Ward
1 cassette (Reissue)
Twelve-year-old Jessica is angry that her mother goes out all the time and that her two best friends have left her for other people. Sulking in her secret cave with a book on witchcraft, Jessica finds a tiny newborn kitten. Her cat-loving neighbor tells Jessica how to care for the kitten, but Jessica hates cats, and this one looks like a worm. Then she begins getting messages from Worm, who says he's a witch's cat. For grades 5-8. 1972.

The Case of the Furtive Firebug: The Kerry Hill Casecrackers, Book 1
RC 41129
by Peggy Nicholson and John F. Warner
read by Erik Sandvold
1 cassette
Hally, thirteen, and her little brother, Jason, are visiting Rhode Island with their father. Jason has been living with their mother, and Hally had forgotten what a pain he is. Things look up when she meets young Tuyet. Hally and Jason help Tuyet paint an apartment for mean Mr. Crowhurst, who teases Tuyet about a fire she accidentally started. Then Jason smells smoke! For grades 3-6. 1995.

The House of Wings RC 41134
by Betsy Byars
read by Bob Askey
1 cassette (Reissue)
Sammy is horrified when his parents decide to leave him with his grandfather until they settle in Detroit. His grandfather is weird and Sammy hates him. But as they care for an injured crane together, Sammy learns to respect and love the old man. For grades 5-8. 1972.

Lunch with Milly RC 41140
by Jeanne Modesitt
read by Pam Ward
1 cassette
One day a little girl invites her friend Milly for lunch, but she forgets to make dessert. Soon she and Milly are off on a magical trip to collect the ingredients. For preschool-grade 2. 1995.

Naomi Knows It's Springtime
RC 41146
by Virginia L. Kroll
read by Pam Ward
1 cassette
Naomi, who is blind, knows when winter is over and spring has begun: the air stops nipping her nose, grass blades slide between her bare toes, and the lilies and lilacs begin to perfume the yard. For grades K-3. 1993.

Town Mouse, Country Mouse RC 41147
by Jan Brett
read by Bob Askey
1 cassette
Tired of running from the house cat, the town mouse decides to take his wife on a picnic in the country. There they meet a country mouse and her husband, who offer to trade houses with the town mice. For preschool-grade 2. 1994.

Two Girls in Sister Dresses RC 41174
by Jean Van Leeuwen
read by Madelyn Buzzard
1 cassette
Jennifer is seven and a half and her sister Molly is five. Although they have identical sister dresses, it's Molly who always gets the compliments for being so little and cute. But Jennifer's resentment of Molly starts to lessen when their mother comes home with their new baby brother. For grades K-3. 1994.

The Ancestor Tree RC 41175
by T. Obinkaram Echewa
read by Andy Chappell
1 cassette
Every morning the children of the village run to see Nna-nna Anya M'ele, whose name means Grandfather the Onlooker, and beg him to tell one of his wonderful stories. Nna-nna is old and he cannot see, but the children love to spend the day listening to his tales. Then the children learn that Nna-nna is dying and that he is sad because he has no children to plant an ancestor tree in his memory. For grades 2-4. 1994.

The Man Who Tricked a Ghost
RC 41176
by Laurence Yep
read by Andy Chappell
1 cassette
Nothing scares a man named Sung. Then one night on a dark and lonely road, Sung is surprised by a ghost. Apparently the ghost has heard about Sung's bravery and has decided to teach him a lesson. But Sung is very clever, and soon he learns a few tricks that surprise even a ghost. For preschool-grade 2. 1993.

Arthur's Pet Business RC 41178
by Marc Brown
read by Andy Chappell
1 cassette
Arthur wants a puppy, but first he has to prove he is responsible enough to take care of it. So Arthur gets a job taking care of other people's animals. One of them, a dog named Perky, lives up to its name. And just as Arthur thinks he is in big trouble, Perky proves to be a real pet. For grades K-3. 1990.

It Goes Eeeeeeeeeeeee! RC 41195
by Jamie Gilson
read by Terence Aselford
1 cassette
Best friends Richard and Ben are supposed to be nice to new kid Patrick, but it's hard because he's a know-it-all in a suit and bow tie. All three are in Mrs. Zookey's second grade. After the boys find a stranded bat and share all kinds of scary misconceptions about it, Patrick gets in trouble; spends recess inside

reading about bats; and pairs with Dawn Marie, who has real bats at home, on a report for Endangered Animal Month. For grades 2-4. 1994.

From Anna RC 41196
by Jean Little
read by Vanessa Maroney
1 cassette (Reissue)
When the family moves from Germany to Canada in the 1930s, a nine-year-old girl discovers the reason for her awkwardness and apparent inability to do anything right. For grades 4-7. 1972.

Are You Alone on Purpose? RC 41198
by Nancy Werlin
read by Faith Potts
1 cassette
When Alison Shandling's parents decide to take her and her autistic twin brother, Adam, to a synagogue, Alison is dismayed to learn the rabbi's son is Harry Roth, a bully in her class. Later, when Harry torments Alison and Rabbi Roth refuses to let Adam attend classes, Alison's mother angrily wishes a disability on Harry. That day, Harry breaks his back, and Alison feels obliged to look after him. Strong language. For grades 6-9. 1994.

Lucy's Picture RC 41200
by Nicola Moon
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
Lucy is excited because her grandfather is coming to visit. When her teacher tells the class to paint pictures, Lucy decides to make a special picture for her grandfather. But she doesn't want to use paint. She will make a picture he can feel. For preschool-grade 2. 1994.

Someone Was Watching RC 41201
by David Patneaude
read by Michele Schaeffer
1 cassette
It has been three months since Molly Barton disappeared, and her family has just returned from their first trip to their lake house and the lake where Molly presumedly drowned. After viewing the video shot the day Molly disappeared, Chris, her older brother, is bothered by something. He sits and studies the tape and suddenly sees a van in the picture. Perhaps Molly didn't drown. For grades 6-9. 1993.

Canyon Winter RC 41205
by Walt Morey
read by Rick Rohan
1 cassette (Reissue)
When the private plane carrying Peter Grayson to his wealthy father's ranch crashes in the Rockies, the pilot is killed, and fifteen-year-old Peter is stranded in a wilderness canyon. Peter has never spent a night alone in the wild. For grades 5-8. 1972.

The Potato Man RC 41207
by Megan McDonald
read by Terence Aselford
1 cassette
Grampa tells his grandchildren about his boyhood meeting with the Potato Man. Mr. Angelo is a new huckster in town with his wagon full of vegetables and fruits. Grampa and the other children begin calling him Potato Man because he has a lumpy face and only one eye. But when young Grampa has a string of bad luck, he thinks it is because he made fun of Mr. Angelo. For preschool-grade 2. 1991.

Preposterous Pets RC 41208
edited by Laura Cecil
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
Collection of stories and poems. Because the zoo's elephant is not growing, the zookeeper must give him away. Little Emily has a meadow with a big shed, so she offers to take the miniature elephant as a pet. In other stories, a man gets a hippopotamus and a storekeeper is visited by a beastie that talks and sings and won't leave. And one boy's habit of collecting animals grows until he has a whole room full of unusual pets. For grades K-3. 1994.

Can I Have a Stegosaurus, Mom? Can I? Please!? RC 41215
by Lois G. Grambling
read by Andy Chappell
1 cassette
A little boy wants to have a stegosaurus for a pet, so he thinks of lots of different reasons why his mother should let him have one. It could eat all of his yucky vegetables, take his whole class on a field trip, win all the races at summer camp, and go trick-or-treating with him on Halloween. For grades K-3. 1995.

A Day's Work RC 41219
by Eve Bunting
read by Barry Bernson
1 cassette
Francisco's grandfather has just come from Mexico and doesn't speak English, so Francisco has gone with him to help him get work. When Mr. Benjamin is looking for a gardener, Francisco lies and tells him that his grandfather is a great gardener. By the end of their day's work, Francisco has learned a very valuable lesson from his grandfather. For grades K-3. 1994.

Crossing the Starlight Bridge RC 41220
by Alice Mead
read by Madelyn Buzzard
1 cassette
Rayanne's father didn't want to miss her ninth birthday, but after she opened her presents he told her he was heading west to look for a job. Soon Rayanne and her mother are forced to leave the island Penobscot reservation where they live and move in with her grandmother on the mainland. It's not easy to be the only Native American in a big school, but Gram helps by telling traditional stories. For grades 3-6. 1994.

Corduroy RC 41225
by Don Freeman
read by Madelyn Buzzard
1 cassette (Reissue)
A toy bear in a department store wants a number of things, but when a little girl finally buys him, he finds what he has wanted most of all. For grades K-3. 1968.

Dixie in the Big Pasture RC 41226
by Belinda Hurmence
read by Carole Jordan Stewart
1 cassette
Twelve-year-old Dixie is excited about leaving Chattanooga when her father gets a year's leave of absence from the Internal Revenue Service to try homesteading in the Oklahoma Territory. But as soon as they arrive in the Big Prairie, Dixie's small dog, Pat, disappears. Her parents try to cheer her up by buying a pony from a Kiowa, but Dixie feels guilty about taking it from the man's young son, John Three. For grades 5-8. 1994.

See the Ocean RC 41230
by Estelle Condra
read by Janis Gray
1 cassette
Nellie loves going to the beach house by the ocean each summer with her family. Although she cannot see, Nellie likes the feel of the sand and the water and is always asking questions about the ocean. Her brothers try to be the first to see the ocean each year, but one year they learn that Nellie has an even better way of seeing it. For grades K-3. 1994.

The Merlin Effect RC 41231
by T.A. Barron
read by Carol Dines
2 cassettes
Kate Gordon, thirteen, is spending time in Baja California with her father, a historian and Merlin specialist. Kate has heard the legends about the "Horn of Merlin," the singing whales, the whirlpool, and the sunken ship *Resurreccíon*, but she certainly doesn't plan to get involved with them. For grades 5-8. 1994.

Ellen Anders on Her Own RC 41233
by Karen Hirsch
read by Jill Fox
1 cassette
Eleven-year-old Ellen feels very much alone after her mother dies in an accident and her best friend prefers the company of the popular girls in sixth grade. Then Ellen discovers a diary begun by her mother when she was about the same age Ellen is now. Ellen is surprised by what she reads and finally talks it over with her father. For grades 3-6. 1994.

Sing to the Stars RC 41236
by Mary Brigid Barrett
read by Gary Tipton
1 cassette
Mr. Washington tries to convince his young neighbor Ephram to play his violin at the park concert by telling him "music speaks best when someone listens." When Ephram's grandmother explains that Mr. Washington used to play the piano before he became blind, Ephram decides to convince him to play too. For grades K-3. 1994.

Can't Scare Me! RC 41238
by Melissa Milich
read by Kerry Cundiff
1 cassette
Eugenia Hayman's father rocks out on the porch each evening with their neighbor, Mr. Munroe. Mr. Munroe likes to listen to Mr. Hayman's ghost stories, but they make him so scared Eugenia has to walk him home. Mr. Hayman decides he must make Mr. Munroe lose his fear of ghosts. For grades K-3. 1995.

The Thing That Bothered Farmer Brown RC 41240
by Teri Sloat
read by Andy Chappell
1 cassette
Just as Farmer Brown is about to fall asleep, something begins to buzz around his bedroom, keeping him awake. What a time he has chasing the pesky mosquito! And when it finally decides to leave the farmer alone, it flies away and annoys the animals too. For preschool-grade 2. 1995.

Albert Goes Hollywood RC 41242
by Henry Schwartz
read by Kerry Cundiff
1 cassette
Albert is a blue dinosaur that Liz found when she was on vacation in Mexico. He lives with Liz and her family in California, and the PTA pays for the hundreds of hamburgers and chicken wings Albert eats each day. But when the PTA runs out of money, Liz has to find some way for Albert to pay his own way. For preschool-grade 2. 1992.

True Friends RC 41274
by Bill Wallace
read by Michele Schaeffer
1 cassette
Courtney Ann Brown is about to enter the sixth grade at a new school. Her stepmother insists she have fancy new clothes and get her hair done every week. Courtney becomes quite popular—she is one of two sixth-graders to be selected as a cheerleader. But when several tragedies strike her family, Courtney soon learns the meaning of having a true friend. For grades 3-6. 1994.

The Gumdrop Tree RC 41286
by Elizabeth Spurr
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
When her father gives her a bag of gumdrops, the little girl doesn't want to eat them because then they would be gone. She plays with her pretty candy until she has an idea. She will plant them and grow a gumdrop tree! For preschool-grade 2. 1994.

Black Beauty RC 41291
by Anna Sewell
read by Robert Sams
1 cassette (Reissue)
Black Beauty, a fine stallion, tells of his suffering as he is sold from one cruel master to another. This book was written to dramatize the abuse of horses in nineteenth-century England. Some violence. For grades 4-7. 1877.

Money to Burn RC 41293
by E.M. Goldman
read by Ilona Dulaski
1 cassette
Matt and Lewis, both fourteen, are facing a boring Canadian summer. They have no money, and there are no jobs to be had. So what are they going to do all summer long? Their lives change dramatically when they suddenly discover $400,000 in a suitcase. For grades 5-8. 1994.

A Cloak for the Dreamer RC 41313
by Aileen Friedman
read by John Polk
1 cassette
The tailor has three sons who help him in his shop. Ivan picks up pins, thread, and scraps of cloth. Alex brings the tailor bolts of cloth to cut and then puts them away. Misha helps his father by delivering the finished clothes to the customers. The first two sons carefully watch their father work, but Misha dreams about traveling around the world. One day each son is given a chance to make a cloak. Will Misha make a good cloak? For grades 2-4. 1994.

Night of Fear RC 41319
by Peg Kehret
read by Gary Tipton
1 cassette
T.J. Stenson has a lot to worry about. He is being bullied by a classmate, Craig Ackerley, and is concerned about Grandmother Ruth, who has Alzheimer's and is now living with T.J. and his

parents. But when T.J. and his grandmother go next door to feed the vacationing neighbor's cats, they are suddenly confronted by a man T.J. believes to be a bank robber. How can he protect his grandmother and get help? For grades 6-9. 1994.

Dwarf Nose RC 41408
by Wilhelm Hauff
read by Susan Nardone
1 cassette
Jacob, the thirteen-year-old son of a cobbler, helps his mother sell fruits and vegetables at the market. One day an old, odd woman comes up to their stand and insults their produce. Angry, Jacob scolds her and makes fun of the way she looks. The old woman tells Jacob that now he, too, will look strange. For grades 3-6. 1993.

Mountain Valor RC 41409
by Gloria Houston
read by Lindsay Ellison
1 cassette
Valor's family is divided by the Civil War, with members fighting on both sides. Valor is left at home with her pregnant mother, former slaves, and a young cousin. When a raiding soldier causes her mother to miscarry, Valor vows to get even. After their livestock are stolen by the same group, Valor joins them disguised as a boy and plots her revenge. For grades 4-7. 1994.

When Grandma Almost Fell off the Mountain and Other Stories RC 41411
by Barbara Ann Porte
read by Lindsay Ellison
1 cassette
When Stella and Zelda take a vacation to see their grandmother, they ask her to tell them a story. She tells them how, when she was a little girl, she traveled with her sister, her parents, and her grandmother to Florida to see her other grandparents. Almost falling off the mountain was only one of the many adventures she had on the trip. For preschool-grade 2. 1993.

Three Stories You Can Read to Your Dog RC 41414
by Sara Swan Miller
read by Suzanne Toren
1 cassette
Have you noticed that your dog seems to sleep all day long? Maybe the animal has nothing to do and is bored. So here are three stories you can read to your dog. The first story is about a burglar, the second about a dog bone, and the third one about a dog wanting to be wild. For grades K-3. 1995.

The Well: David's Story RC 41451
by Mildred D. Taylor
read by L.J. Ganser
1 cassette
During the 1910 drought, David Logan's family has the only water well working in his part of Mississippi. The black family is willing to share their water with all their neighbors, but Charlie Simms, whose family is white, treats the Logans with disrespect, and soon Charlie's taunting of David's brother, Hammer, results in an explosive situation. Companion to *Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry (RC 10893)*. For grades 3-6. 1995.

Foreign Language Books

The following cassette titles are available in the languages designated.

Spanish

GED en Español: El Nuevo Examen de Equivalencia de la Escuela Superior RC 40852
por Ginés Serrán-Pagán y otros
leído por Juan Ramirez
8 cassettes
Guía en idioma español para la preparación del examen de equivalencia de bachillerato (high school). Incluye consejos de cómo prepararse para el examen y modelos de exámenes en las áreas concernientes a las técnicas de escritura, estudios sociales, cinecias, literatura y las artes, y matemáticas. (Spanish-language guide to preparation for the high school equivalency examination. Includes tips on how to prepare for the exam and sample tests in the subject areas of writing skills, social studies, science, literature and the arts, and mathematics.) 1994.

La Vida Inútil de Pito Pérez RC 40860
por José Rubén Romero
leído por Juan Ramirez
1 cassette (Reedición)
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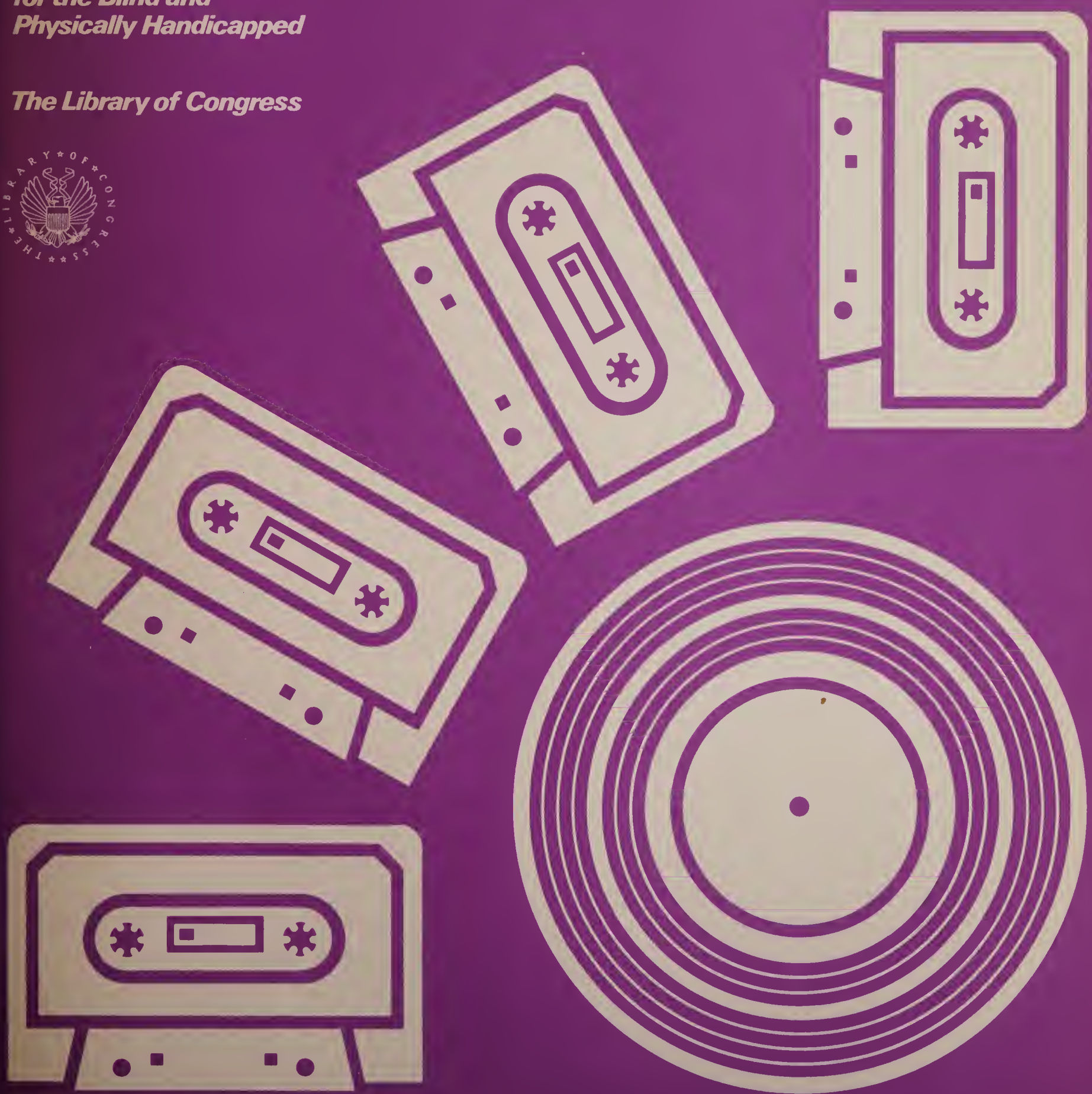

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Cassettes Nonfiction

Ohitika Woman RC 37622
by Mary Brave Bird
and Richard Erdoes
read by Pam Ward
2 cassettes
In the sequel to *Lakota Woman (RC 32089)*, Brave Bird (formerly Crow Dog) continues her life story. After giving birth at seventeen at Wounded Knee in 1973, Brave Bird began a family with Sioux leader and medicine man Leonard Crow Dog. When this union failed, Brave Bird continued traditional ways but her life was marred by alcohol. Now remarried, clean, and back on the "res," Brave Bird is ready to fight again. Strong language. 1993.

DOS for Dummies, 2nd Edition RC 37977
by Dan Gookin
read by Dave Jackson
3 cassettes
DOS is the acronym for a disk operating system used by many personal computers to run software. DOS controls the storage and retrieval of information. Self-professed computer guru Gookin presents humorous instructions for the beginner and the confused on how to get DOS to do all of this. Included is a glossary. Covers all versions through DOS 6. 1993.

Collected Poems, 1953–1993 RC 38366
by John Updike
read by Jim Zeiger
2 cassettes
The earliest poems were written a year or so before Updike graduated from college, and they follow in chronological order, charting the course of his life over the next forty years. He writes about his feelings, about mundane things, about natural things, about places, and about almost anything that has to do with the real world. He also writes light verse, which he calls "cartooning with words," based on the world of information. 1993.

A Journey through Economic Time: A Firsthand View RC 38966
by John Kenneth Galbraith
read by Gregory Ricks
2 cassettes
A long-standing professor, observer,

commentator, and interpreter of economics reflects on what he has seen and learned about worldwide economic and social currents since World War I. Galbraith's basic theme is how the economy has worked and how "war and peace, government and the market, ideology and ignorance have shaped its course." 1994.

Capital: A Critique of Political Economy, Volume 2 RC 39628
by Karl Marx
read by Jake Williams
6 cassettes
Compiled by Friedrick Engels, Marx's lifelong partner, and published posthumously. This volume contains an extensive introduction by Ernest Mandel. The author continues with technical analyses of aspects of capitalism that were initiated in Volume 1, including the question of supply and demand and the ownership of private property. 1885.

Voyage to the Great Attractor: Exploring Intergalactic Space RC 39846
by Alan Dressler
read by Mo Lotman
3 cassettes
Seven scientists collaborated to study the nature of the universe through a survey of selected galaxies. They discovered that many galaxies are travelling at great speeds and concluded that they are being attracted by a large mass. Dressler also offers a behind-the-scenes look at how astronomers work together. All information is presented for the lay reader. 1994.

Finding God RC 39903
by Larry Crabb Jr.
read by Jeff Halberstadt
2 cassettes
In 1991 Crabb's older brother was killed in a plane crash. Crabb's difficulty in dealing with this loss led him to realize that he and, he believes, most Christians are preoccupied with themselves. He asserts that the only hope for escaping from pain and problems is to learn to trust God. Crabb discusses the pathway to finding God and the obstacles along the way. 1993.

More than Meets the Eye: The Story of a Remarkable Life and a Transcending Love RC 39905
by Joan Brock and Derek L. Gill
read by Ellen Frost
2 cassettes
Thirty-two-year-old Joan and her husband Joe were employed at the Iowa Braille and Sight-Saving School when Joan suddenly lost the ability to see the color pink and soon was irreversibly blind. Then Joe was diagnosed with cancer and died. Joan and her daughter moved, and Joan obtained a "talking computer," spoke about her experience, and wed a high-school crush. 1994.

The Gospel According to Casey: Casey Stengel's Inimitable, Instructional, Historical Baseball Book RC 39906
by Ira Berkow and Jim Kaplan
read by Don Emmick
1 cassette
Two sportswriters combine the recollections of baseball greats with some of Casey Stengel's wisdom about the game and a few of his comments on the rest of life. Includes testimony before a Senate subcommittee hearing, during which members were no match for Casey's "Stengelese." Some strong language. 1992.

Blind Sighted: One Man's Journey from Sight to Insight RC 39917
by Marty Klein
read by Phil Regensdorf
2 cassettes
In 1976, by the age of twenty-eight, Marty Klein was completely blind. In 1990 he began writing his life story to explain how he changed from a sighted, confident, rebellious, and self-centered young man of the 1960s to a compassionate and responsible man in the 1990s—who happens to be blind. In his account, Klein discusses three main topics: the Vietnam War, drugs, and fate. Strong language. 1993.

More Home Cooking: A Writer Returns to the Kitchen RC 39918
by Laurie Colwin
read by Miriam Wagner
2 cassettes
Thoughts about food, cookbooks, holiday meals, fast food, children's food, picnics, and waiting for dessert. Information on feeding jet lag, making jam, baking gingerbread, and roasting a turkey. Interspersed with the author's culinary tips are family stories and recipes for homey dishes, such as marinated brussels sprouts and mulligatawny soup. Suggested further reading: *Home Cooking (RC 28912)*. 1993.

Balsamroot: A Memoir RC 39924
by Mary Clearman Blew
read by Marilyn Gleason
2 cassettes
Blew continues the tales of her family that she began in *All but the Waltz (RC 34989)*. This time she focuses on her "Auntie" Imogene, herself, and her adult daughter from her first marriage, Elizabeth. Blew tells how her aunt's decline into dementia and her daughter's failed marriage result in both coming to live near her home in Idaho. Blew examines choices they have made in their lives and how these have affected her. Some strong language. 1994.

The Effective Executive RC 39934
by Peter F. Drucker
read by Anne Mullen
2 cassettes
Effectiveness can and must be learned, according to this management consultant. Drucker's approach, more practical than philosophic, begins with the premise that people must first learn self management. Essential practices include handling time, focusing on the contribution to an institution, building on strengths, concentrating, and making decisions. 1967.

Worshipful Company of Fletchers: Poems RC 39944
by James Tate
read by Arnie Warren
1 cassette
Prosaic images, such as "the cushions on the wicker couch need mending," form a backdrop for a poem about children telling ghost stories. Sometimes Tate weaves such ordinary objects as gum wrappers, Liberty dimes, and Indianhead pennies into his poems. And as he focuses on the creative process, he is amused by thoughts of others solemnly organizing his personal things. Winner of the National Book Award. 1994.

How to Talk to Anyone, Anytime, Anywhere: The Secrets of Good Communication RC 39958
by Larry King and Bill Gilbert
read by Jeff Halberstadt
1 cassette
King, host of his own radio and television talk-show programs, offers advice

for communicating with others in both social and professional situations. He believes that listening to others and staying informed help people communicate better. 1994.

Autobiography of a Face RC 40052
by Lucy Grealy
read by Barbara Rappaport
2 cassettes
In fourth grade, the author had a toothache that turned out to be cancer. A portion of her jaw was eventually removed, leaving her face misshapened. Grealy describes her growing awareness that she was now odd-looking and her attempts to come to terms with people's reactions. After a series of failed surgeries, she had her jaw reconstructed as an adult, but she learned her belief that "when my face gets fixed, then I'll start living" was too simplistic. 1994.

Child of War, Woman of Peace RC 40274
by Le Ly and James Hayslip
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
3 cassettes
In 1970 when Le Ly came to the United States with her two children to join her American husband, she discovered that the survival skills developed in the battlefields and black market of her native Vietnam did not count for much. She recounts her efforts to adjust to America and to reconcile the Vietnamese and American halves of her life. Sequel to *When Heaven and Earth Changed Places (RC 31643)*. 1993.

The Rape of Europa: The Fate of Europe's Treasures in the Third Reich and the Second World War RC 40324
by Lynn H. Nicholas
read by Anne Hancock
4 cassettes
Describes the Nazis' attack on European artworks, documenting the pillage of entire countries and the destruction of "degenerate" art. Nicholas also tells how world leaders united to protect masterpieces while fighting the enemy, how ordinary people and experts made heroic efforts to save their treasures, and how the Allies sought to restore works to their rightful owners. 1994.

A Woman of Valor: Clara Barton and the Civil War RC 40510
by Stephen B. Oates
read by Mary Woods
3 cassettes
When the Civil War broke out, thirty-nine-year-old patent office employee Clara Barton yearned to be a Union soldier. Her second choice was to assist the troops, but she refused to join the organized aid efforts. Instead she collected and distributed items herself until finally allowed to move her operation to the front, where she also assisted doctors. Later she founded the American Association of the Red Cross. Violence. 1994.

Thomas Jefferson: A Life RC 40606
by Willard Sterne Randall
read by Frank Coffee
6 cassettes
Portrait of the founding father, with emphasis on his early life as a student and lawyer, his years in France, and his final days at Monticello. In addition to published sources, Randall draws on Jefferson's unpublished papers for the

Virginian's views on the separation of church and state, race, slavery, public education, books, morality, religion, debt, the metric system, music, political philosophy, and more. 1993.

The Myth of Repressed Memory: False Memories and Accusations of Sexual Abuse RC 40627
by Elizabeth Loftus
and Katherine Ketcham
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
3 cassettes
Drawing on twenty-five years of research, psychologist Loftus asserts that memories are a blend of fact and fiction and that childhood "memories" can easily be implanted in adults. The authors question some famous cases in which adults recall supposedly repressed traumatic events through therapy. Some violence and some descriptions of sex. 1994.

In Julia's Kitchen with Master Chefs RC 40629
by Julia Child and Nancy Verde Barr
read by Jill Ferris
3 cassettes
Recipes from twenty-six chefs Child invited to her home in Cambridge, Massachusetts, for her PBS television series. The list includes Roberto Donna, Charlie Trotter, Jody Adams, Leah Chase, Jimmy Sneed, and Monique Barbeau. Each entry includes a brief biography of the chef and helpful hints from Child. Bestseller 1995.

Faithfull: An Autobiography RC 40717
by Marianne Faithfull
and David Dalton
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
3 cassettes
Faithfull was still a schoolgirl when she met the Rolling Stones. Although she fell for Keith Richards, she is best known for her relationship with Mick Jagger. Besides being the inspiration for rock songs, Faithfull became a singer and songwriter in her own right. She describes the drug-filled party life she led, including her marriages and suicide attempt. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1994.

I've Known Rivers: Lives of Loss and Liberation RC 40811
by Sara Lawrence-Lightfoot
read by Catherine Byers
5 cassettes
The author, an education professor at Harvard whose childhood home was often filled with "black intelligentsia" and who is unhappy with the way many sociologists portray middle-class blacks, looks at the lives of six midlife middle-class African Americans. Through extended conversations, these men and women discuss the past and current daily events that have shaped their lives and their feelings about race. 1994.

The Second World War: A Complete History RC 40822
by Martin Gilbert
read by Bruce Huntey
7 cassettes
This detailed account of the entire war in all regions focuses on the suffering and achievements of individuals. Gilbert incorporates anecdotes and personal accounts into his descriptions of battles, events behind the lines, the treatment of prisoners, and public attitudes in the warring countries. Companion to *The First World War (RC 40464)*. Violence. 1989.

New Passages: Mapping Your Life across Time RC 40839
by Gail Sheehy
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
4 cassettes
In *Passages*, Sheehy considered life only to the age of fifty. Now she looks at later life as a "second adulthood." Sheehy updates her "passages" concept, briefly portrays adulthood, and describes the beginning of a second adulthood. She discusses male and female menopause, the art of aging, money for the future, and the joys of grandparenthood. Best-seller 1995.

Vanessa Redgrave: An Autobiography RC 41045
by Vanessa Redgrave
read by Patricia Kilgarriff
4 cassettes
At the birth of daughter Vanessa to actors Michael and Rachel Redgrave, Laurence Olivier announced that a great actress had arrived. She tells of her noted multigenerational thespian family, which continues with Vanessa's own talented children; discusses her forty years' worth of noted performances, including Guinevere in the movie *Camelot*; and explains her lifelong political leanings and activism. 1994.

The Life of Graham Greene, Volume 2: 1939–1955 RC 41053
by Norman Sherry
read by Patrick Horgan
4 cassettes
A detailed, documented account of the British writer's most creative years. Greene juggles relationships with his wife and mistresses, struggles with his religious beliefs, seeks out areas of political conflict, and works as a spy. Sherry points out how Greene's experiences are reflected in his novels and plays. Follows *Graham Greene, Volume 1: 1904–1939 (RC 32360)*. Some violence. 1995.

The Cold War: A History RC 41074
by Martin Walker
read by Ed Blake
3 cassettes
Political commentator Walker declares the history of the cold war to be the history of the world from 1944 to 1992. He looks at the Soviet occupation of Eastern Europe, the Korean and Vietnam wars, the American-Soviet conflict over nuclear weapons, and the economic and political transformations that have taken place throughout the world as a result of the cold war. 1993.

The Generals' War: The Inside Story of the Conflict in the Gulf RC 41075
by Michael R. Gordon
and Bernard E. Trainor
read by Ralph Lowenstein
5 cassettes
Gordon, chief Pentagon correspondent for the *New York Times*, and Trainor, a retired lieutenant general and military correspondent for the same paper, use recently declassified documents and interviews with generals and Washington politicans to provide an account of the war. Their emphasis is on the command decisions that shaped the battles. 1995.

Reasonable Creatures: Essays on Women and Feminism RC 41125
by Katha Pollitt
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Essays written in response to particular events, news stories, and ideas, such as family values, date rape, the dominance of boys in children's books, and choice

in child-bearing. As a social critic, Pollitt examines all sides of these "women's issues," which she holds are relevant to the entire society. And she expresses impatience with people who are intellectually careless in presenting their arguments. 1994.

Dream Lovers: The Magnificent Shattered Lives of Bobby Darin and Sandra Dee by Their Son RC 41132
by Dodd Darin and Maxine Paetro
read by Erik Sandvold
3 cassettes
Late singer-actor Bobby Darin and actress Sandra Dee married when she was sixteen, he was twenty-four, and both had skyrocketing careers. Drawing on discussions with friends and family members, their son, Dodd, describes their lives, including events in both parents' childhoods he believes contributed to their troubles as adults. Strong language. 1994.

Mary Kay: You Can Have It All; Lifetime Wisdom from America's Foremost Woman Entrepreneur RC 41136
by Mary Kay Ash
read by Yvonne Fair Tessler
2 cassettes
Ash, who has become successful as the head of Mary Kay Cosmetics, offers advice for women who want to achieve their goals of having fulfilling careers while still being wonderful wives and mothers. Ash, whose priorities are God first, family second, and career third, believes that women must always set these same priorities for themselves in order to be successful. Bestseller 1995.

Never Throw Out a Banana Again and 364 Other Ways to Save Money at Home without Knocking Yourself Out RC 41143
by Darcie Sanders
and Martha M. Bullen
read by Jill Ferris
1 cassette
Simple, sensible ways to trim dollars off your family budget by saving pennies. Suggestions cover the kitchen, family room, nursery, closets, backyard, garage, stores, and bank. Some hints: don't take the kids grocery shopping, keep a sponge in the fruit and vegetable drawer to absorb moisture, and use the library. 1995.

What to Expect: The Toddler Years RC 41162
by Arlene Eisenberg and others
read by Kerry Cundiff
10 cassettes
The authors of *What to Expect When You're Expecting (RC 36978)* and *What to Expect the First Year (RC 31632)* now tackle the second and third years. A month-by-month guide discusses common traits and possible concerns specific to each age, and the second portion of the book covers aspects of the care, health, and safety of toddlers. Also included are common home remedies and more "best-odds" recipes emphasizing nutrients for good health. Bestseller 1994.

Voice Communication between Humans and Machines RC 41168
edited by David B. Roe
and Jay G. Wilpon
read by Butch Hoover
5 cassettes
Papers presented at a 1993 National Academy of Sciences colloquium enti-

tled Human/Machine Communication by Voice. Topics include scientific bases of this form of communication, speech-recognition technology, technology for understanding natural language, applications of voice-processing technology, and technology in 2001. Author biographies included. 1994.

Training Employees with Disabilities: Strategies to Enhance Learning and Development for an Expanding Part of Your Workforce RC 41213
by William R. Tracey
read by Andy Chappell
3 cassettes
The president of a human resources consulting firm presents a handbook on specific disabilities, accommodation, and training methods. Tracey discusses legal requirements, programs, and services and lists sources of further information. 1995.

Jumping the Job Track: Security, Satisfaction, and Success as an Independent Consultant RC 41217
by Peter C. Brown
read by Lou Harpenau
3 cassettes
Guide to making it on one's own. Brown discusses initial steps toward independence, such as leaving a job, weighing risks versus rewards, marketing one's skills, getting clients, and separating business from private life. Each chapter ends with a profile of someone who has succeeded with the topic under discussion. The final section deals with other practical issues. 1994.

The Dull Knifes of Pine Ridge: A Lakota Odyssey RC 41221
by Joe Starita
read by Randy Atcher
3 cassettes
Details the traditional Sioux family's struggles from 1877 to the late twentieth century. Chief Dull Knife led a midwinter break from a deadly reservation to head for tribal homelands, George Dull Knife toured Europe with Buffalo Bill Cody to earn money for family needs, Guy Dull Knife fought in France during World War I, and Guy Dull Knife Jr. worked search-and-destroy missions in Vietnam. Violence. 1995.

Until the Twelfth of Never: The Deadly Divorce of Dan and Betty Broderick RC 41224
by Bella Stumbo
read by Madelyn Buzzard
5 cassettes
Betty Broderick bore four children while her young husband, Dan, completed medical and law school. Sixteen years later, millionaire Dan divorced Betty to marry the office worker he was having an affair with. As he denied Betty fair support payments and got custody of the children, she declined emotionally, finally killing Dan and his wife. Strong language and some violence. 1993.

Nine Parts of Desire: The Hidden World of Islamic Women RC 41227
by Geraldine Brooks
read by Carole Jordan Stewart
2 cassettes
Portrait of an oppressed class slowly achieving some liberation. During a six-year Middle East assignment, a Western journalist wears the veil and mixes with Muslims in a quest to understand

women in the Islamic world. Brooks talked with fundamentalists and feminists, studied the Koran, witnessed surgical procedures to repair female genital mutilation, and gathered impressions of cultural traditions. 1995.

The Villagers: Changed Values, Altered Lives; the Closing of the Urban-Rural Gap RC 41232

by Richard Critchfield
read by Butch Hoover
5 cassettes

Twenty-five years after first visiting villages in Latin America, Eastern Europe, Asia, Africa, and the United States, Critchfield returns to many of the same villages to observe the changes that have taken place. He concludes that villages are in danger of losing their moral values as villagers move into more urban settings. Sequel to *The Villages (in production)*. 1994.

Montserrat Caballé: Casta Diva RC 41235

by Robert Pullen and Stephen Taylor
read by Mitzi Friedlander
5 cassettes

Portrait of the Catalan-born soprano who, since her 1956 debut, has sung in nearly four thousand performances in spite of being plagued with poor health. Noting that Caballé has recorded an unusually large number of roles (thirty-four), the authors also include a critical discography of her performances. 1994.

Wedge: The Secret War between the FBI and CIA RC 41237

by Mark Riebling
read by Art Metzler
5 cassettes

Riebling chronicles the feud between the FBI and CIA since World War II. Using declassified documents and in-depth interviews with former agents from both agencies, the author discusses the terms of J. Edgar Hoover (FBI) and William J. Donovan (CIA) and the careers of James Jesus Angleton (CIA) and Aldrich Ames (CIA). He also suggests ways by which the agencies might work together. Some strong language. 1994.

American Technological Sublime RC 41239

by David E. Nye
read by John Richardson
3 cassettes

A professor at the Center for American Studies of Odense University, Denmark, discusses the nature of the sublime: an experience of astonishment, awe, and a degree of horror. Usually associated with natural phenomena like the Grand Canyon and Niagara Falls, the sublime is, Nye says, also found in human creations like the Empire State Building, the atomic bomb, and the space program. 1994.

Harry and Teddy: The Turbulent Friendship of Press Lord Henry R. Luce and His Favorite Reporter, Theodore H. White RC 41241

by Thomas Griffith
read by Barry Bernson
2 cassettes

An editor of *Time* and *Life* dissects a complex friendship and details the policies and politics of the two magazines. Luce and White split over Luce's refusal to print White's reports criticizing General Chiang Kai-shek. White became a successful author, and Luce continued to promote his own political agenda in his magazines. 1995.

Charles Kuralt's America RC 41249
by Charles Kuralt
read by Barry Bernson
2 cassettes
Following his retirement from CBS in 1994, Kuralt set out to spend a month each at favorite places during their best seasons. In his easygoing style, Kuralt describes the places he went and the people he met from Alaska to Key West and Louisiana to Maine. He comments on Charleston in the spring; Ketchikan, Alaska, in June; the lakes of Minnesota in July; and New York City at Christmas. Bestseller 1995.

Terrible Honesty: Mongrel Manhattan in the 1920s RC 41253
by Ann Douglas
read by Lynn Schrichte
6 cassettes
A professor of English and comparative literature interprets the Jazz Age, arguing that America was spurred by the "thrilling" World War I to develop a unique art. Discussing an array of writers, musicians, and artists, she portrays a decade shaped by the themes of "terrible honesty," a shedding of Victorian standards; repudiation of maternal control; the surge of black artists; and the "mongrel" mixing of styles. 1995.

Provençal Light RC 41256
by Martha Rose Shulman
read by Laura Giannarelli
3 cassettes
Shulman's love affair with the Provençal area of France inspired her to adapt the region's traditional recipes to fit her low-fat standards. The diet of Provence is inherently healthy, consisting mainly of vegetables, grains, legumes, and fish, and the author provides more than two hundred recipes that she finds have adapted well to fat reduction. 1994.

Altered Fates: Gene Therapy and the Retooling of Human Life RC 41261
by Jeff Lyon and Peter Gorner
read by Annie Wauters
6 cassettes
Pulitzer Prize-winning journalists expand on a topic they covered in a 1986 *Chicago Tribune* series. They track research enabling scientists to change the genetic code of human beings and recount attempts to apply gene therapy to specific diseases. The authors cite cases and discuss rivalry among researchers, ethical problems, and needed oversight. 1995.

Evelyn Waugh: A Biography RC 41262
by Selina Hastings
read by Vanessa Maroney
6 cassettes
Hastings recounts the entire life of the well-known British writer who died in 1966. Though successful professionally, the author of *Brideshead Revisited (RC 14575)* and other acclaimed novels abused alcohol and drugs and was known for his unpleasant personality. He married twice, reared a family, converted to Catholicism, and bitterly regretted changes in the church after Vatican II. 1994.

The Collected Poems of Langston Hughes RC 41265
by Langston Hughes
read by Marcia Churchill
4 cassettes
"What happens to a dream deferred? / Does it dry up / like a raisin in the sun?" asks Langston Hughes in "Harlem [2]," one of 860 poems presented here. Others include "Aesthete in Harlem," "Beaumont to Detroit: 1943,"

"Blues on a Box," "Easy Boogie," "Prayer Meeting," and "Sunset—Coney Island." Hughes often uses jazz rhythms to share the pain and joy of life in black America from the 1920s to the mid-1960s. The collection is edited by Arnold Rampersad. 1994.

Cuba on the Brink: Castro, the Missile Crisis, and the Soviet Collapse RC 41270

by James G. Blight and others
read by Peter Gil
17 cassettes

Academics participating in the 1992 Havana conference with Soviet, Cuban, and U.S. policy makers present transcripts and analysis of the discussions. Attendees' memories of the 1962 crisis and documents, some declassified in the 1990s, lead the authors to conclude that Cuba's role and the risk of nuclear war were greater than previously supposed. 1993.

On the Real Side: Laughing, Lying, and Signifying—the Underground Tradition of African-American Humor That Transformed American Culture, from Slavery to Richard Pryor RC 41288

by Mel Watkins
read by Bob Moore
5 cassettes

Traces the development of African American humor from its African origins to the present. Watkins contrasts the authentic voice of black humor with traditional stereotypes and shows how comics of the 1960s and 1970s brought this true voice to movies and television. Some strong language. 1994.

A Way through the Wilderness: The Natchez Trace and the Civilization of the Southern Frontier RC 41290

by William C. Davis
read by Michael Consoli
4 cassettes

The author of many works on the South, including *Jefferson Davis: The Man and His Hour (RC 35513)*, presents an account of life on the Trace from the early 1700s to the 1830s. The route, made up of animal and Indian trails, ran from Nashville, Tennessee, to Natchez, Mississippi. It brought explorers and settlers, but finally gave way to easier modes of transportation. 1995.

Rethinking Life and Death: The Collapse of Our Traditional Ethics RC 41330

by Peter Singer
read by Randy Atcher
2 cassettes

The animal rights advocate probes inconsistencies in legal decisions on abortion, treatment of persons with severe disabilities, "brain death," assisted suicide, and animal rights. He calls for a "Copernican revolution" against the religiously inherited idea that human beings are the center of the ethical universe and proposes new "commandments" for these issues. 1994.

Mother Love: Poems RC 41331

by Rita Dove
read by Mitzi Friedlander
1 cassette

The 1993–1995 U.S. poet laureate and Pulitzer Prize winner collects poems previously published elsewhere into a volume focusing on the myth of Demeter and Persephone. Loosely following the sonnet form, the poems express a mother's anxious care for her daughter and a daughter's experience in leaving

her mother for the wider—and more dangerous—world. 1995.

Shared Values for a Troubled World: Conversations with Men and Women of Conscience RC 41334
by Rushworth M. Kidder
read by Butch Hoover
2 cassettes
The author interviewed twenty-four distinguished individuals from diverse backgrounds, asking each to respond to a question about global ethics. From all the interviews, eight common values emerge: love, truthfulness, fairness, freedom, unity, tolerance, responsibility, and respect for life. 1994.

God: A Biography RC 41337
by Jack Miles
read by Lou Harpenau
4 cassettes
Miles, a former Jesuit, examines the Old Testament books in the order of their appearance in the Hebrew Bible (law, prophets, and writings) in order to show that God is "an amalgam of several personalities in one character." He portrays the literary figure of God as moving through many stages of development while progressing toward eventual reconciliation with the people he created. 1995.

A Very Easy Death RC 41340
by Simone de Beauvoir
read by Carole Jordan Stewart
1 cassette
Ironically titled, the book describes the author's mother's last thirty days, spent in a hospital. She suffers from cancer, a disease she has always feared, but she dies thinking otherwise. The book deals with her reactions and those of the author and her sister. 1965.

Family RC 41342
by Ian Frazier
read by Lou Harpenau
3 cassettes
While going through his parents' belongings after their deaths, Frazier found letters dating back to the time of the Civil War. Realizing he knew very little about his family's history, Frazier began research that took him back through two hundred years of middle-class life in small-town America and revealed how his forebears were affected by the social, economic, and domestic events in history. 1994.

My War RC 41347
by Andy Rooney
read by Barry Bernson
2 cassettes
The columnist and *60 Minutes* commentator recounts his experiences as a reporter for the military's *Stars and Stripes* during World War II. Rooney worked mainly in Europe, where he witnessed numerous battles, the liberation of Paris, and the uncovering of Nazi death camps. His book is a mix of dramatic stories, humorous anecdotes, and personal opinions. 1995.

Defending Pornography: Free Speech, Sex, and the Fight for Women's Rights RC 41348
by Nadine Strossen
read by Carole Jordan Stewart
3 cassettes
The president of the American Civil Liberties Union attacks efforts, especially by feminists, to ban pornography. She cites laws, ordinances, and court decisions, arguing that each attempt to censor only increases the oppression of women and that feminists who oppose pornography side with conservatives

who think sex is bad. Explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 1995.

The De-Moralization of Society: From Victorian Virtues to Modern Values RC 41349

by Gertrude Himmelfarb
read by Janis Gray
2 cassettes
Author of *On Looking into the Abyss (RC 38430)* reexamines the Victorian era for clues to the success of its family-oriented society. Himmelfarb discovers that secular values along with a commitment to public good were a much stronger force than Christian virtues. She believes the restoration of moral and civic standards would do wonders for modern society. 1994.

Consuming Culture: Why You Eat What You Eat RC 41350

by Jeremy MacClancy
read by Roy Avers
2 cassettes
An anthropologist takes a lighthearted look at food and its relationship to religious, cultural, and social influences. MacClancy examines past and present cultures worldwide for this study of the role of food in sex, language, class, power, friendship, magic, and religion. He also investigates taboos, fast food, cravings, table manners, and mealtimes. 1992.

The Color of Welfare: How Racism Undermined the War on Poverty RC 41351

by Jill Quadagno
read by Kerry Cundiff
2 cassettes
A sociology professor at Florida State University complains that America is, compared to most European nations, a "welfare state laggard." She blames opposition generated when the public perceived that programs to assist the disadvantaged would help blacks attain equality. Her scholarly account applies this theory to the New Deal, Social Security, and other programs. 1994.

Forcing the Spring: The Transformation of the American Environmental Movement RC 41354

by Robert Gottlieb
read by Randy Atcher
3 cassettes
Explores the historical roots of the environmental movement from the 1890s; chronicles the rise and consolidation of conflicting ecological groups; and considers the importance of gender, ethnicity, and class on how environmental organizations define their issues, constituencies, tactics, and goals. 1993.

Looking at the Sun: The Rise of the New East Asian Economic and Political System RC 41358

by James Fallows
read by Butch Hoover
5 cassettes
A journalist looks at the Asian challenge to Western-style capitalism. Fallows warns that the American emphasis on individual enterprise and outmoded theories based on consumption and competition place the economy in grave danger. He points to the West's need to recognize how Japan's success depends upon cultural and nationalistic factors based on production. 1994.

The Language of Genes: Solving the Mysteries of Our Genetic Past, Present, and Future RC 41360
by Steve Jones
read by James DeLotel
2 cassettes
A genetics researcher explains the science in popular language, sometimes with humor. He compares genetic evolution to the development of languages, showing how each reveals a path by which to trace ancestry. He also discusses the use of genetics in treating diseases and speculates that social changes are slowing human evolution. 1993.

Life on the Color Line: The True Story of a White Boy Who Discovered He Was Black RC 41361
by Gregory Howard Williams
read by John Polk
3 cassettes
As a child in Virginia, Gregory Williams believed his father, Tony, to be Italian. When Gregory's parents separated, he was shocked to meet his father's poor black family in Muncie, Indiana. Williams, now a law professor, describes how this change affected him. Strong language, violence, and some descriptions of sex. 1995.

Along the Edge of America RC 41376
by Peter Jenkins
read by Jack Fox
2 cassettes
Jenkins, author of *A Walk across America (RC 14204)* and *Walk West (RC 17346)*, hit a low period after his divorce. Even though he had no boating experience, the cure he chose was taking a boat trip along the Gulf Coast. Jenkins describes the people and places he discovered during the two years he spent on the small boat, which he named Cooper after the dog who accompanied him on his earlier treks. 1995.

Going Where I'm Coming From: Memoirs of American Youth RC 41385
by Anne Mazer
read by Jill Fox
2 cassettes
Fourteen multicultural autobiographical tales of young people growing up in America. Some tales explain what it was like to immigrate to the United States, and others describe the experience of growing up within two cultures. In "Sound-Shadows of the New World," Ved Mehta, a blind student from India, arrives in America to attend a school for the blind. For junior and senior high readers. 1995.

Killing Custer: The Battle of the Little Bighorn and the Fate of the Plains Indians RC 41407
by James Welch and Paul Stekler
read by Gary Roan
2 cassettes
The 1876 Battle of the Little Bighorn is a frequently portrayed event in American history. Welch covers the period from 1870 to 1890 to provide background and show the long-term effects. Using new research to reconcile first-hand accounts, he recounts the story of Custer's last stand from the point of view of the Sioux and Cheyenne tribes. 1994.

John Steinbeck: A Biography RC 41413
by Jay Parini
read by John Stratton
4 cassettes
Portrait of the American writer best known for the depression-era classic *The Grapes of Wrath (RC 21574)*. Con-

vinced of his talent and unashamed to work at menial jobs, if necessary, to support his calling, Steinbeck was not always respected by the literary world even though he won the Nobel Prize for Literature in 1962, but his novels were popular worldwide. The author assesses Steinbeck's work and probes his paradoxical character. 1995.

The History of the Blues: The Roots, the Music, the People; from Charley Patton to Robert Cray RC 41418
by Francis Davis
read by Christopher Hurt
3 cassettes
A companion volume to the PBS series. Davis combines legend, documentation, and speculation in an interpretive account. He discusses his definition of the blues and presents chronologically arranged profiles of individual musicians. Includes a discography, a bibliography, and a timeline linking blues milestones with contemporary events. Some strong language. 1995.

The Ant and the Peacock: Altruism and Sexual Selection from Darwin to Today RC 41432
by Helena Cronin
read by Patrick Horgan
5 cassettes
In his evolutionary thinking, Darwin grappled with the apparent anomalies of altruism and sexual ornamentation. Cronin traces the birth and development of Darwin's ideas. She then leads two philosophical discussions about natural selection, using the worker ant and the peacock to illustrate how more recent scientific study has resolved these anomalies. 1991.

Balzac: A Life RC 41433
by Graham Robb
read by Robert Blumenfeld
4 cassettes
Portrait of nineteenth-century French novelist Honoré de Balzac, whose excesses and contradictions in life match or exceed those in his work. Balzac's best-known book is *The Human Comedy*, an incomplete work with more than 2,000 characters. Robb relates Balzac's melodramatic personal life to his creation of the realistic novel. 1994.

Entry in an Unknown Hand RC 41436
by Franz Wright
read by Gordon Gould
1 cassette
Thirty-seven short poems first published in 1989 by the winner of the 1991 Whiting Award. A teacher at Emerson College in Boston, Wright was born in Vienna and traveled extensively in the United States, where he sets his poems. The title poem portrays a fear of everyday life, "To the Hawk" depicts the bird and its high-country world, and "Vermont Cemetery" describes fighting sleep while driving through the countryside. 1989.

Lies My Teacher Told Me: Everything Your American History Textbook Got Wrong RC 41440
by James W. Loewen
read by Ralph Lowenstein
3 cassettes
A professor of sociology at the University of Vermont argues that students have been made "stupid" by their study of U.S. history. He contrasts the "lies" he found in twelve popular history textbooks with the "truth" revealed in primary sources. For example, Helen Keller worked for socialism in her adult-

hood, and Patrick Henry owned slaves even as he made his famous speech. 1995.

Copyright's Highway: From Gutenberg to the Celestial Jukebox RC 41443
by Paul Goldstein
read by Ralph Lowenstein
2 cassettes
A professor of law at Stanford University probes troublesome aspects of the law from "fair use" photocopying to controlling the electronic capabilities of the "celestial jukebox." Should the law favor the creator's right to income or the consumer's right to use the product? Goldstein also points out differences between U.S. law and that of some European countries. 1994.

In the Fast Lane: A True Story of Murder in Miami RC 41446
by Carol Soret Cope
read by Richard Davidson
2 cassettes
In 1986 a fifty-two-year-old self-made millionaire, builder Stan Cohen, is shot to death in his Miami home while his thirty-five-year-old fourth wife, Joyce, is in another part of the house. Cohen's attorney son and news-anchor daughter suspect Joyce is behind the murder, and the police begin a search for evidence that finally results in Joyce's arrest and trial. Some strong language. 1993.

Naming the Antichrist: The History of an American Obsession RC 41448
by Robert C. Fuller
read by Frank Coffee
3 cassettes
The professor of religious studies at Bradley University defines the Antichrist as a satanic agent bent on leading believers astray in a prelude to the apocalyptic millennium. Fuller states that for historical reasons Americans have been especially prone to naming their enemies the Antichrist. "Antichrists" have included Native Americans, Catholics, Communists, and the New Age Movement. 1995.

Honor by Fire: Japanese Americans at War in Europe and the Pacific RC 41457
by Lyn Crost
read by Suzanne Toren
2 cassettes
A former war correspondent's account of the Japanese-American men, or nisei, who volunteered for military service during World War II. Crost portrays the brave soldiers who had to fight prejudice on the home front before they were allowed to join the combat forces in Europe and the military intelligence service in the Pacific. 1994.

An Independent Woman: The Autobiography of Edith Guerrier RC 41464
by Edith Guerrier
read by Lindsay Ellison
2 cassettes
Previously unpublished account of the self-sufficient woman who died in 1958 at age eighty-eight. Guerrier reminisces on a childhood shuttling between her father and other relatives and tells how need forced her to improvise a career at a time when women were just beginning to do so. She organized "girls clubs" for immigrant women, worked as a librarian, and founded an art pottery. 1992.

Cassette Books, 1995 RC 41476
by National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped
read by various narrators
4 cassettes
A catalog of talking books produced on

cassette for adult and young adult readers during 1995. The nonfiction and fiction sections list books by subject categories. Separate listings identify books for young adult readers and for Spanish readers. 1995.

A Teen's Guide to Going Vegetarian
RC 41479
by Judy Krizmanic
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
1 cassette
Using experiences of vegetarian teenagers, a former editor at *Vegetarian Times* describes what it is like to give up eating meat and using other animal products such as leather and explains why more and more young people are making these changes. She gives hints for gaining acceptance from family and friends and provides information and easy recipes for a nutritionally sound vegetarian diet. For junior and senior high and older readers. 1994.

High Tide in Tucson: Essays from Now or Never RC 41482
by Barbara Kingsolver
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Autobiographical essays from novelist who wrote *Pigs in Heaven (RC 35911)*. In the title selection, Kingsolver, returning from an ocean vacation, inadvertently brings a hermit crab back to her desert home. After puzzling over his odd behavior, she decides her new pet is reacting to the tides of Tucson! Other selections discuss being a writer, a mother, and a desert dweller. Bestseller 1995.

The Menopause Industry: How the Medical Establishment Exploits Women
RC 41483
by Sandra Coney
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
3 cassettes
The author expresses concern about hormone replacement therapy as a growing regimen for women entering menopause. Coney says drug companies have overemphasized the negative effects of aging to promote the sale of synthetic hormones, and that inaccurate ads overstate the losses of the older woman while downplaying the dangers of estrogen replacement. Contains anatomical descriptions. 1994.

Alone: The Classic Polar Adventure
RC 41488
by Richard E. Byrd
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes (Reissue)
The account of the explorer's dangerous and dramatic five months of isolation at an observation base in Antarctica. 1938.

Middle Class Dreams: The Politics and Power of the New American Majority
RC 41491
by Stanley B. Greenberg
read by Jake Williams
2 cassettes
The pollster for President Clinton and advisor to the Democratic Party analyzes the perceptions of middle America and shows how they have affected the fortunes of the two main parties throughout U.S. history. Citing polls and voting statistics, he argues that both "bottom up" and "top down" policies have failed and alienated the middle class. 1995.

The Chemistry of Conscious States: How the Brain Changes Its Mind RC 41495
by J. Allan Hobson
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes
Using personal experiences and those of others, a neuroscientist examines the mind and the brain and concludes that all mental activity is a continuous state of waking, deep sleep, and rapid eye movement (REM) sleep regulated by two distinct chemical systems. In lay language, Hobson explains what he believes occurs as the brain shuttles among these distinct states. 1994.

The Evolution of Racism: Human Differences and the Use and Abuse of Science RC 41496
by Pat Shipman
read by Bill Wallace
3 cassettes
A paleoanthropologist tells how scientific attempts to understand the nature and genesis of the human race have led to the practice of eugenics and to racism. She traces this course from Darwin's theory through the Nazi Final Solution to the Human Genome Project and the search for genetic causes of crime. 1994.

Wrongful Death: A Medical Tragedy RC 41501
by Sandra M. Gilbert
read by Jill Ferris
3 cassettes
Writer and English professor describes the devastating loss of her husband and colleague, Elliot Gilbert. In 1991, Elliot, sixty, was admitted to a University of California medical center for prostate surgery. During an extended stay in the recovery room, Elliot died. Sandra learned the initial explanation given the family was far from complete—Elliot's death was a result of medical negligence. Some strong language. 1995.

Where the Suckers Moon: An Advertising Story RC 41502
by Randall Rothenberg
read by John Rayburn
4 cassettes
Into an account of Subaru of America's search for a new advertising agency, a former *New York Times* columnist weaves his theory of how strategy, famous names and images, slogans, hype, and media campaigns are, in the end, no match for the power of the consumer. 1994.

Ever After: A Father's True Story RC 41507
by William Wharton
read by David Hartley-Margolin
2 cassettes
Novelist Wharton describes events surrounding the deaths of his thirty-six-year-old daughter Kate, her husband, and her two small daughters. They were killed in an automobile pileup caused by smoke from field burning in Oregon. After Wharton has a dream in which his late son-in-law asks him to help stop the burning, he attempts to change the laws that led to their deaths. Some strong language. 1995.

Lost Rights: The Destruction of American Liberty RC 41509
by James Bovard
read by John Rayburn
4 cassettes
A journalist who has written for the *Wall Street Journal*, *New Republic*, and other publications inveighs against government intrusion on citizens' rights. Targets include zoning laws, right of eminent domain, environmental and

banking regulations, drug and gun control, teacher licensing requirements, labor laws, and the IRS. Remedies proposed: legalize drugs and repeal regulations. 1994.

Emotional Intelligence RC 41511
by Daniel Goleman
read by Anne Flosnik
3 cassettes
The *New York Times* science writer argues that emotional intelligence is as much a factor of success as is the intelligence quotient. And because self-awareness and control of "toxic" emotions can, he says, be taught, he calls for education to guide children's emotional development. He also discusses ways adults can continue to grow emotionally. Bestseller 1995.

David Letterman's Book of Top Ten Lists and Zesty Lo-Cal Chicken Recipes RC 41513
by David Letterman
and Steve O'Donnell
read by Gregory Gorton
1 cassette
Collection of humorous top ten lists from the *Late Show with David Letterman*. Example of a British nickname for Americans is "tea-dumping psychos," a rejected McDonald's slogan is "somewhat safer than smoking," and a way to tell you're at a bad airport is the "gift shop selling items from your just-checked luggage." Some strong language. Bestseller 1995.

Jacques Pépin's Simple and Healthy Cooking RC 41529
by Jacques Pépin
read by Anne Flosnik
2 cassettes
Pépin, who has cooked for three French presidents, has taken recipes with high caloric or fat content and adapted them for a healthier lifestyle. He shows how appetizers, main courses, side dishes, and desserts can be made not only healthy but attractive and delicious. He also includes sample menus having less than 30 percent of their calories from fat—the percentage recommended by many doctors. 1994.

Nano: The Emerging Science of Nanotechnology; Remaking the World—Molecule by Molecule RC 41532
by Ed Regis
read by Bob Moore
2 cassettes
In popular, humorous style, Regis details the development of nanotechnology, the process of making anything from steak to diamonds by mechanically constructing its atoms and molecules. Physicist Richard Feynman proposed the idea, and K. Eric Drexler experimented with machines to carry out the process. Regis speculates on positive and negative uses of nanotechnology. 1995.

Diary of a Fat Housewife: A True Story of Humor, Heartbreak, and Hope RC 41539
by Rosemary Green
read by Cecelia Riddett
2 cassettes
Having fought obesity most of her adult life, the author began a diary in 1982 to record her range of feelings about the struggle. During the next ten years, her weight increased to 310 pounds after the birth of one of her six children, but she brought it back down to about two hundred pounds. 1995.

How Good People Make Tough Choices RC 41569
by Rushworth M. Kidder
read by Michele Schaeffer
2 cassettes
The founder of the Institute for Global Ethics and former columnist for the *Christian Science Monitor* offers guidelines for dealing with ethical dilemmas. Using anecdotes to illustrate conflicts between truth and loyalty, individual and community, short-term and long-term goals, and justice and mercy, Kidder shows how decisions are made using "ends-based," "rule-based," or "care-based" principles. 1995.

The Penny Whistle Traveling with Kids Book: Whether by Boat, Train, Car, or Plane—How to Take the Best Trip Ever with Kids of All Ages RC 41587
by Meredith Brokaw and Annie Gilbar
read by Madelyn Buzzard
1 cassette
Collection of ideas to help parents plan trips that the entire family will enjoy. Topics include rules of the road, planning a trip, games to play while traveling, exercises to do, travel journals, and food to take along—including recipes. 1995.

Flannery O'Connor: Literary Prophet of the South RC 41590
by Susan Balée
read by Janis Gray
1 cassette
The author of *Wise Blood* and *The Violent Bear It Away*, available in *Three by Flannery O'Connor (RC 32752)*, died at thirty-nine of lupus. After being diagnosed at twenty-five, O'Connor spent her adult years on her mother's southern dairy farm, writing and raising peacocks. Many of her short stories deal with racial or religious issues. For junior and senior high and older readers. 1995.

What Comes Next: The End of Big Government—and the New Paradigm Ahead RC 41601
by James P. Pinkerton
read by Butch Hoover
3 cassettes
A former Bush White House assistant, the author is convinced our current structure of government is destined for "the ash heap of history." With humor and dash, he discusses his belief that a new paradigm, or pattern of thinking about government, must be adopted by all political parties, and offers ideas for an empowered, compassionate, and better America through collective action. 1995.

Amazing Grace: The Lives of Children and the Conscience of a Nation RC 41639
by Jonathan Kozol
read by Gordon Gould
2 cassettes
Children in the South Bronx, who exhibit an amazing grace despite their often hopeless surroundings, speak about their lives. The residents dispel stereotypes of life in the ghetto. Their spirit of caring shines through, casting a spotlight on the real inhumanities that continue. 1995.

Nobody's Child: A Woman's Abusive Past and the Inspiring Dream That Led Her to Rescue the Street Children of Saigon RC 41644
by Christina Noble and Robert Coram
read by Terry Donnelly
2 cassettes
Noble spent a nightmarish childhood in the slums of Dublin. As an adult she had a dream of being in Vietnam, with

a little girl reaching out to her. Almost twenty years later, she traveled to Vietnam and began helping the street children. Strong language, some violence, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

Most Way Home RC 41646
by Kevin Young
read by Gordon Gould
1 cassette
"Reward," an announcement of runaway slaves, introduces poems exploring the idea of "home" in the African American experience. In "Husbandry," the first of four sections, Young tells one family's story of life and death, love and loss. "The Spectacle" depicts a southern freak show. "Getting Religion" is about rituals, each sacred in its own way. "Beyond the Pale," the final section, contains poems with a contemporary view of life. 1995.

Dared and Done: The Marriage of Elizabeth Barrett and Robert Browning RC 41648
by Julia Markus
read by Lisette Lecat
3 cassettes
Chronicles the celebrated love story of two nineteenth-century poets, whose admiration for one another's work led to courtship and marriage. Markus draws on many unpublished sources for this account of the younger, much-admired Browning's success in winning the heart of a reclusive, dependent woman and notes changes in their individual efforts during the fifteen-year partnership. 1995.

Princesse of Versailles: The Life of Marie Adelaide of Savoy RC 41719
by Charles Elliot
read by Cecelia Riddett
4 cassettes
Elliot's account of Marie Adelaide of Savoy is interwoven with the story of life at the court of Louis XIV, the Sun King. Marie is only ten when she arrives at Versailles to marry the duc de Bourgogne, but her arrival brings life back into what has become a dying court. Marie is portrayed as having a keen wit and also as kind, thoughtful, intelligent, and dignified. 1992.

Tales My Father Never Told RC 41723
by Walter D. Edmonds
read by Gary Telles
2 cassettes
The author of *Drums along the Mohawk (RC 11697)* and other historical novels and children's books writes about his own childhood, spent alternately in New York City and at the family dairy farm in the Adirondacks. The author tells anecdotes illustrating his uneasy relationship with his strong-willed father, who was fifty-three years old when Edmonds was born in 1904. 1995.

To Renew America RC 41734
by Newt Gingrich
read by John Rayburn
2 cassettes
Speaker of the House Gingrich believes America must reform to avoid drastic consequences. He offers six changes that would keep America "prosperous, free, and safe": renew its civilization, accelerate its entry into the "third-wave information age," rethink its competition in the world market, replace the welfare state with an opportunity society, reject centralized bureaucracy, and

balance the federal budget. Bestseller 1995.

Archibald Grimké: Portrait of a Black Independent RC 41738
by Dickson D. Bruce
read by Jake Williams
2 cassettes
A history professor and author recounts the life of the activist who argued with both Booker T. Washington and W.E.B. DuBois on how to obtain civil rights for blacks. Grimké was the son of a planter and his slave. His mother taught him independence, and his father's abolitionist sisters aided his education. An author and politician, Grimké served as consul to the Dominican Republic from 1894 to 1898. 1993.

Presenting Richard Peck RC 41751
by Donald R. Gallo
read by Jamie Horton
2 cassettes
Richard Peck was thirty-seven in 1971 when he quit his teaching job to write his first novel for young adults. He has written one young adult book almost every year since, including *Bel-Air Bambi and the Mall Rats (RC 39020)*. Gallo discusses Peck's works (which also include poetry and essays) and sketches the author's life. For junior and senior high and older readers. 1993.

Dances with Trout RC 41760
by John Gierach
read by Jamie Horton
2 cassettes
Eighteen "fish stories." Though he is a serious fisherman, the author is not too involved in the sport to enjoy its quirkiness. An apt storyteller, he evokes a sense of being outdoors alongside a river and enjoying the rigors of fly-fishing. A party of five friends stalking salmon in Scotland have a rousing good time, even with a total catch of one fish. By the author of *Trout Bum (RC 28522)*. Some strong language. 1994.

America's Dumbest Criminals: Based on True Stories from Law Enforcement Officials across the Country RC 41793
by Daniel R. Butler and others
read by Christopher Hurt
1 cassette
Humorous true stories of criminals who were their own worst enemies but a big help to the police. After coming home in a cab, a drunken man robs the driver at gunpoint. Another stickup man carefully disguises his face and vehicle but forgets to remove his maintenance uniform, which has his name and place of employment printed on it. Bestseller 1995.

Mr. Wilson's Cabinet of Wonder RC 41918
by Lawrence Weschler
read by Frank Coffee
1 cassette
Weschler, staff writer for the *New Yorker*, describes the Museum of Jurassic Technology, which he had often heard about on his visits to Los Angeles and finally decided to visit. He discusses the bizarre display of natural marvels, like the hairy horn of an English woman who lived in 1688, he found inside. He segues into the origins of modern museums, a subject he learned about in his search for information about the strange exhibits. Bestseller 1995.

Cassettes Fiction

A Woman Possessed RC 38033
by Malcolm Macdonald
read by Jennifer Mendenhall
4 cassettes
Laura had loved Maurice Petifer and wanted to marry him, but her parents refused because he did not have a promising future. Now in 1902 Cornwall, Laura is the wife of Giles Curnow and the mother of five children, and she is quite content with her life. Then Maurice returns from South Africa, rich and still single. There will be some interesting pairings before life settles down again. Sequel to *A Woman Alone (RC 34840)*. Some descriptions of sex. 1992.

The Deliverer: The Children of the Lion, Volume 9 RC 38497
by Peter Danielson
read by Patrick Horgan
4 cassettes
The Teller of Tales has told of Seth's quest to become a master iron-maker and his failure to return to Egypt with the Sword of Glory, and of the new king being groomed for Egypt. Now he speaks of two men who come to Egypt —one to destroy and one to save Moses, of the testing of Egypt, and of the maturing of Moses. Sequel to *Sword of Glory (RC 38496)*. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. 1988.

Something to Kill For RC 38964
by Susan Holtzer
read by Sharon Lauve Komorn
2 cassettes
Computer consultant and art deco enthusiast Anneke Haagen is doing the garage sale circuit with an antique-dealer friend when they find another circuit regular, Joanna Westlake, slumped in her car. Before she dies, Joanna utters two words: the Jap. Had she found something valuable enough to kill for, the big score that all the dealers dream of? To clear her dealer friends, Anneke uses her business connections with the police force. Strong language. 1994.

The Latimore Bride RC 38970
by Emma Goldrick
read by Jeanne Evans
1 cassette
Mattie Latimore, an engineer who has studied Arabic, has arrived in Khartoum to find out why railroad repairs are three months behind schedule. She has come instead of her father, who is recovering from flu. Ryan Quinn, in charge of the project, is none too happy to have a woman checking up on him. And, worst of all, Ryan and Mattie must pretend to be married in order to negotiate with the Masakin tribe. Harlequin novel. 1988.

Shoeless Joe Jackson Comes to Iowa: Stories RC 38976
by W.P. Kinsella
read by Margaret Anne Walterhouse
1 cassette
Collection of ten stories set in Iowa, Canada, and San Francisco. The title story was the basis for the movie *Field of Dreams*. Other stories include "First Names and Empty Pockets," in which a doll mender fantasizes about being Janis Joplin's savior; "Fiona the First," in which a salesman picks up girls at the airport; and "The Grecian Urn," a tale of time travel. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1980.

Shear RC 38986
by Tim Parks
read by Mimi Bederman
2 cassettes
English geologist Peter Nicholson anticipates a little fun with his mistress when he goes off to a Greek island to investigate the death of a quarry worker. But the demands of the distraught widow, a fax announcing his wife's pregnancy, a fling with the quarry owner's daughter, and discovery of company wrongdoing create stresses as complex as those that cause "shear" in rocks. Violence, strong language, and descriptions of sex. 1993.

The Summer House: A Trilogy RC 38991
by Alice Thomas Ellis
read by Graci Ragsdale
3 cassettes
Three interrelated novellas, each narrated by a female character, portray events leading to a wedding. In "The Clothes in the Wardrobe," Margaret, a reluctant bride, considers Lili's arrival a gift from God. In "The Skeleton in the Cupboard," Mrs. Monro, mother of the groom, has misgivings about men in general, including her son. And in "The Fly in the Ointment," Lili, the one who ties it all together, teaches everyone how to enjoy life. 1989.

The Silent Suitor RC 38992
by Elisabeth Fairchild
read by June Carter
2 cassettes
Miss Sarah Wilkes Lyndle's mother died from a feverish malaise when Sarah was still quite young. That same fever took away Sarah's sight. Now, at twenty-four, Sarah has left her sheltered country life behind and come to London for the first time. Lady Castleford, who happens to have a son known as the "Beast" and a handsome nephew known as "Beauty," has agreed to introduce Sarah at Almack's. 1994.

The Man in the High Castle RC 38995
by Philip K. Dick
read by June Carter
2 cassettes
This 1963 Hugo Award winner portrays an alternate history. The Axis powers have won World War II and jointly occupy the United States. A German faction attempts to warn the Japanese about an impending nuclear attack. The *I Ching* is used not only in the plotting of this story, but also within the story, as the basis of a "subversive" alternate history written by a German author. Some strong language. 1962.

Elizabeth's Gift RC 38996
by Donna Davidson
read by Mimi Bederman
2 cassettes
Nathan Dunbar, young marquess of Hawksley, has been sent by his grandfather to check on a distant relative, sixteen-year-old Elizabeth Wydner. Shocked when Elizabeth proves she is psychic and frightened for her safety when she describes a murderer, Nathan sends her to hide in Scotland. But a few years later, much to Nathan's dismay, a grown Elizabeth tracks Nathan down to help him uncover that same murderer. Some strong language and some violence. 1994.

Emily Louise RC 39000
by Joan Darlington Beam
read by Marilyn Gleason
2 cassettes
Twenty-nine-year-old Theresa Freidmann has been confined to her bed in a nursing home for five years because of

arthritis. She is annoyed when "shameless" Emily Louise begins working at the home and disrupts Theresa's predictable life. Emily Louise dyes Theresa's hair, scolds her for not doing things for herself, and warns her that her lawyer may be after her money. Theresa's anger fades as she begins to enjoy life again. Some strong language. 1994.

Strike Zone RC 39473
by Jim Bouton and Eliot Asinof
read by Michael Kramer
2 cassettes
The last game of the season as seen from the perspectives of two competing characters. Sam Ward, a thirty-two-year-old rookie, gets a chance to pitch for the Chicago Cubs in a crucial game against the Phillies, but he isn't getting the signals he needs to prove himself. And sixty-year-old veteran umpire Ernie Kolacka makes the calls under considerable pressure to throw his last game. Strong language. 1994.

The Robber Bridegroom RC 39826
by Eudora Welty
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
Legendary characters inhabit this romantic novel about frontier days in Mississippi. The beautiful but untruthful daughter of a wealthy planter and his spiteful, ugly second wife are stolen by an unscrupulous man in a tale that is a mixture of fantasy, ghost story, fairy tale, and morality lesson. 1942.

Iceman RC 39830
by Chris Lynch
read by John Lescault
1 cassette
Eric plays rough, even by the standards that measure hockey. He takes his frustrations out on the rink, where his teammates tend to avoid him, and finds a companion at the funeral home. Still in his early teens, Eric is confused by his troubled family until a shocking incident forces him to come to terms with his angry feelings. Violence and strong language. For junior and senior high and older readers. 1994.

Temptations RC 39907
by Paul Wilkes
read by Dick Jenkins
2 cassettes
Joseph lives the experiences he writes books about. This, coupled with discontentment with his lifestyle, leads him to plan an article on monastic life and to stay at a Trappist monastery. Under the guidance of Father Columban, Joseph leads the life of a monk and begins to find peace. At the same time, he learns of other men who fell under Columban's spell with unhappy, possibly even fatal results. 1993.

Kara RC 39916
by Carole Gift Page
read by June Carter
1 cassette
Kara Strickland, eighteen, is looking forward to graduation from high school, when her world is suddenly shattered. Her father, a well-known and respected doctor, is killed in an accident, and, shortly afterwards, Kara and her mother are seriously injured in a fire. As Kara tries to put her world back together, she learns some surprising details about her family. For junior and senior high readers. 1981.

Matron of Honor RC 39919
by Sallie Bingham
read by Mimi Bederman
1 cassette
Kentucky in the 1970s. Apple Mason

has known Billy Long most of her life. He works at her father's hardware store, he taught her how to ride, and, most importantly, he is to marry her tomorrow. But this morning, her sister Cory arrived from New York, having left her husband. As the day unfolds, the lives of these three people and the forces that brought them to this moment are revealed. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1994.

Give a Dog a Name RC 39920
by Gerald Hammond
read by Phil Regensdorf
1 cassette
It is late in the day when John Cunningham and Isobel, one of his partners, return to Three Oaks from a dog trial. Waiting to greet them are John's wife, Beth, and Arthur Lansdyke, a businessman whose dog is full of buckshot. As they work on removing the buckshot, Isobel and the Cunninghams discover something unusual. Events become further complicated when their own dog is kidnapped and an impostor put in her place. Some strong language. 1992.

The Witches' Hammer RC 40063
by Jane Stanton Hitchcock
read by Susan McInerney
3 cassettes
Since her mother's death and her own divorce, researcher Beatrice O'Connell has been living with her surgeon father. A rare book collector, Dr. O'Connell has been given an odd tome by a grateful patient. It is a grimoire, a book of black magic. When the doctor is murdered and his library ransacked, Beatrice is sure the grimoire is involved and vows to avenge his death. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

Sea to Shining Sea: The Journals of Corrie Belle Hollister, Book 5
RC 40213
by Michael Phillips
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Corrie Hollister is grateful for all God has given her. Because of Corrie's success in the 1856 election and her anti-slavery beliefs, the California Republican Party asks Corrie to promote Abraham Lincoln for president in 1860. Corrie realizes as she campaigns that conflicts at home and across the nation may change her life forever. Sequel to *A Place in the Sun (RC 40212)*. 1992.

Into the Long Dark Night: The Journals of Corrie Belle Hollister, Book 6
RC 40214
by Michael Phillips
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Corrie Belle Hollister is on her way to Washington to help Lincoln win another term in office. Corrie meets Sister Janette on the train east, spends some time at her convent, and aids soldiers wounded at Gettysburg before continuing the trip to the capital. While in Washington, Corrie overhears some news that can change the course of history. Sequel to *Sea to Shining Sea (RC 40213)*. 1992.

The Ghatti's Tale, Book 1: Finders-Seekers RC 40281
by Gayle Greeno
read by Pam Ward
4 cassettes
Over two hundred years ago, an expedition from Earth became stranded on Methuen. The humans survived by

bonding with telepathic, catlike ghatti. Because ghatti can read the truth, the pairs act as judges throughout the land. But now it is up to Doyce and Khar, her ghatti, to learn why many Bondmates are being killed. Can they determine the truth before they become victims? For high school and older readers. 1993.

All the Days and Nights: The Collected Stories of William Maxwell RC 40333
by William Maxwell
read by Don Feldheim
4 cassettes
Short stories and improvisations, most previously published over six decades. The author draws on childhood experiences in Lincoln, Illinois; travels to France; and life in Manhattan, where he was an editor at the *New Yorker* for forty years. In the title piece, a brief improvisation composed for his wife's birthday, Maxwell presents a man wondering where his life has gone. 1994.

Kristin Lavransdatter: Volume 3, The Cross RC 40414
by Sigrid Undset
read by Catherine Byers
3 cassettes (Reissue)
A historical novel set in fourteenth-century Norway, concerning Kristin's problems with her husband and children, her retirement to a convent, and the horrors of the Black Plague. Sequel to *The Mistress of Husaby (RC 40413)*. 1927.

The Dragon's Dagger: Spearwielder's Tale, Volume 2 RC 40621
by R.A. Salvatore
read by Jamie Horton
2 cassettes
Gary Leger is called back to the realm of Faerie for another round of dangerous adventures. This time he must recover the hero's magical spear and armor, face a wicked king bent on war, foil the plots of a banished witch, and stop the wretched dragon, Robert, from burning the countryside. Sequel to *The Woods Out Back (RC 40620)*. 1994.

Agatha Raisin and the Walkers of Dembley RC 40642
by M.C. Beaton
read by Carmella Ross
1 cassette
After *Agatha Raisin and the Potted Gardener (RC 40641)*, Agatha spent six months doing PR work in London and is relieved to return to her Carsley retirement. She and her enticing neighbor James Lacey join a walking club to investigate the murder of a militant rambler. The death may be related to the walkers' insistence on using an ancient right-of-way through a farmer's field. Some strong language. 1995.

A Place Called Freedom RC 40692
by Ken Follett
read by Steven Crossley
3 cassettes
It's 1766, and the lives of Mack McAsh and his twin sister, Esther, have always been centered around the Scottish coal mines. But Mack has learned that he can be free of the coal mines now that he is twenty-one. He plans a daring escape, goes to London, and becomes part of the labor movement. But circumstances beyond his control find Mack shipped off to America and a new life. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1995.

The Seventh Scroll RC 40742
by Wilbur Smith
read by David Hartley-Margolin
4 cassettes
Royan Al Simma and her husband,

Duraid, are deciphering the "Seventh Scroll" written by Taita, a slave, more than 4,000 years earlier, when Duraid is brutally murdered. With Sir Nicholas Quentin-Harper's help, Royan continues her work and learns the location of the tomb of Pharoah Mamose. But actually finding the tomb and its treasures is a dangerous task. Sequel to *River God (RC 37819)*. Strong language and some violence. 1995.

Brother Wind RC 40743
by Sue Harrison
read by Yvonne Fair Tessler
4 cassettes
This sequel to *My Sister the Moon (RC 34011)* recounts the parallel lives of two women. Kiin from the tribe of First Men is forced to return to the Walrus People, leaving behind her husband and one of her twin sons. And Kukutux of the Whale Hunters loses her husband in a whaling expedition and has little chance for survival unless another hunter will marry her. Some violence. 1994.

The Man from BAR-20 RC 40745
by Clarence E. Mulford
read by Bob Askey
2 cassettes
A stranger has come to the little cow town of Hastings. The storekeeper sends him to CL Ranch for work, remarking that he looks like the ranch foreman, Logan. When Logan asks for his story, the stranger admits he is Johnny Nelson, aka the Kid, originally from the BAR-20. Upset when Hopalong and the others married, Johnny left his domesticated friends for adventure. Logan gives it to him—tracking rustlers. Some strong language and some violence. 1994.

Rutland Place RC 40821
by Anne Perry
read by Terry Hayes Sales
2 cassettes
Charlotte is surprised by her mother's distress over the theft of a locket, which surprisingly contains the photo of a man who was not Charlotte's father. Of course Charlotte and her husband, Inspector Thomas Pitt, will help. Then a lady in the neighborhood is poisoned. And more sudden deaths follow. Could it be that elegant Rutland Place holds a terrible secret? 1983.

The Bernini Bust RC 40830
by Iain Pears
read by Patrick Horgan
2 cassettes
Jonathan Argyll, a British art dealer based in Rome, is delivering a Titian to a wealthy but crude collector in California. During a party at a private museum, the collector is killed, and a marble bust by Bernini disappears. When Argyll calls his girlfriend, Flavia di Stefano, and General Bottando of the Italian national art theft squad for help, his brakes fail mysteriously and he lands in the hospital. Some strong language. 1992.

Morning, Noon, and Night RC 40836
by Sidney Sheldon
read by Yvonne Fair Tessler
2 cassettes
Harry Stanford knows he is being followed; he even knows who is behind it and why. But in a few short days, Stanford has drowned and his children are haggling over his estate. There is Tyler, a gay circuit court judge; Woody, a polo-playboy junkie; and Kendall, a fashion designer with a shadowy past. Then comes Julia, an executive secre-

tary, who claims to be Stanford's long-lost illegitimate daughter. Some strong language. Bestseller 1995.

Memnoch the Devil: The Vampire Chronicles RC 40837
by Anne Rice
read by David Hartley-Margolin
3 cassettes
After killing a wealthy drug dealer, vampire Lestat is shocked when the man's ghost appears and begs him to look after the man's daughter, Dora. Lestat is drawn to televangelist Dora, but he has other problems. Someone has been stalking him, and he has reason to believe it is the devil. Sequel to *The Tale of the Body Thief (RC 35872)*. Strong language, violence, and some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1995.

Coming Home RC 40840
by Rosamunde Pilcher
read by Jill Ferris
8 cassettes
Judith Dunbar is fourteen when her world changes dramatically. Her mother and sister are off to Ceylon where her father is stationed. Judith is to attend boarding school and spend holidays with her Aunt Louise. But at St. Ursula's, Judith meets Loveday Carey-Lewis and ends up spending her holidays with Loveday's family. It is there that Judith matures into a young woman just as World War II begins, further changing her life. Bestseller 1995.

A Time of Death: This Land, This Time, Volume 2 RC 40848
by Dobrica Cosic
read by Ed Blake
3 cassettes
First published in Yugoslavia in 1972. This sequel to *Into the Battle (RC 40847)* provides an introduction to the tensions that led to the outbreak of war in 1914 between Serbia and Austria-Hungary. Now the Serbian forces, made up of peasants and drafted students, mount a major attack against the formidable Austrian army, and the young soldiers celebrate their victory. Some strong language. 1978.

Humboldt's Gift RC 41046
by Saul Bellow
read by Richard Davidson
4 cassettes (Reissue)
Novel about what American writers are really like. Bellow explores the relationship between a poet, Von Humboldt Fleisher, who enjoyed a brief glimpse of fame, and a young friend, Charlie Citrine, a playwright and biographer whose star is rising. Strong language. The author is a winner of the Nobel Prize for Literature. Bestseller 1975.

Wizard's First Rule: The Sword of Truth, Volume 1 RC 41067
by Terry Goodkind
read by Nick Sullivan
6 cassettes
Learning of his father's murder, Richard Cypher seeks solace in his beloved woods. There he rescues Kahlan Amnell, who is fleeing from Darken Rahl's assassins. Rahl wants to destroy the lands and people of Westland, but if Cypher, empowered by the wizard Zedd as the Seeker of Truth, can find one of the three Boxes of Orden, he will have the power to stop Rahl. Prequel to *Stone of Tears (RC 41792)*. Some violence. 1994.

Silent Treatment RC 41073
by Michael Palmer
read by Ed Blake
3 cassettes
Just before her scheduled operation for a brain aneurysm, Dr. Harry Corbett's wife, Evie, dies suspiciously in her hospital bed. Another doctor immediately accuses Corbett, claiming Evie had just admitted having an affair. Evie's roommate at the hospital saw the real murderer, but she was experiencing d.t.'s at the time. Now Corbett must find the killer to clear his own name. Strong language, violence, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1995.

Sassinak RC 41101
by Anne McCaffrey
and Elizabeth Moon
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Kidnapped by pirates from her home world of Myriad and sold into slavery, Sassinak refuses to resign herself to her fate. Through her strength and intelligence she survives and escapes, determined to become a Fleet captain and seek vengeance on those who enslaved her. Prequel to *The Death of Sleep (RC 41102)*. For junior and senior high and older readers. 1990.

The Death of Sleep RC 41102
by Anne McCaffrey and Jody Lynn Nye
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
3 cassettes
Lunzie Mespil accepts a job on a remote mining station, leaving her daughter behind for what she believes will be a two-year assignment. But en route to her job, the space liner on which she is a passenger is destroyed by space pirates. Although she escapes in a lifeboat, Lunzie spends ninety years in cryogenic stasis awaiting rescue. Sequel to *Sassinak (RC 41101)*. For junior and senior high and older readers. 1990.

People of the Fire: The First North Americans, Volume 2 RC 41114
by W. Michael Gear
and Kathleen O'Neal Gear
read by Jim Zeiger
4 cassettes
The descendants of the first North Americans have moved into the Rocky Mountains, where they are plagued by fire and famine. Their only hope for survival rests with the dreamer Little Dancer and with a sacred Wolf Bundle made in the time of Wolf Dreamer. Sequel to *People of the Wolf (RC 41113)*. Violence, some strong language, and some descriptions of sex. For high school and older readers. 1991.

A Winding Path: Miriam's Journal, Volume 2 RC 41119
by Carrie Bender
read by Jill Ferris
1 cassette
After *A Fruitful Vine (RC 41118)*, Miriam, an Amish woman, writes in her journal about happily raising her twins and foster daughter, Dora, with her husband, Nate. Dora's birth mother, Priscilla, has come a long way from being the immature girl who dated Miriam's former boss, but she still needs Miriam's counsel. Then, when Priscilla is finally happy, Miriam realizes Nate is brooding about something. 1994.

A Joyous Heart: Miriam's Journal, Volume 3 RC 41120
by Carrie Bender
read by Jill Ferris
1 cassette
In this sequel to *A Winding Path (RC 41119)*, Miriam, an Amish woman,

begins her eighth year of journal keeping feeling joyous. She and her husband, Nate, now have five children and have unburdened themselves by paying back taxes. But new problems soon arise. Miriam's foster daughter, Dora, is embarrassed in public school, another child is gravely ill, and Dora's birth mother is again facing spiritual turmoil. 1994.

This Savage Race RC 41128
by Douglas C. Jones
read by Bob Askey
3 cassettes
A historical western about the efforts of a pioneer family to carve out a better life for themselves. Mr. Jefferson was president when Boone Fawley took his wife, his sons, and his sister and struck out from St. Louis. But instead of heading west, they made their way south into the Arkansas wilderness. The life they found was often wretched, but they met all difficulties with a resilient spirit. Some strong language. 1993.

Murders at Moon Dance RC 41137
by A.B. Guthrie Jr.
read by Bob Askey
2 cassettes
Pulitzer Prize-winning author's first novel is a mystery-western. An old man is shot dead outside the town of Moon Dance after crowing about finding a gold mine. Town members suspect Robideau, a possible cattle rustler, but they don't have the manpower to go after him. When young West Cawinne comes to town, he is recruited to do the deed. As he ponders the offer, two more men die in related shootings. Strong language and violence. 1943.

Coconuts for the Saint RC 41138
by Debra Spark
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Sandrofo Cordero Lucero, whose wife died when their triplets were born, took his daughters to Puerto Rico and reopened a bakery he inherited through his wife. Now the girls are fifteen, and Sandrofo plans to marry Maria Elena, with whom he fell in love when she fainted on his doorstep. Maria Elena's efforts to learn about Sandrofo's past uncover years of deception, but also make the four women realize they need each other. 1994.

Walking after Midnight RC 41145
by Karen Robards
read by Mary Woods
2 cassettes
At 2:00 a.m., Summer McAfee, owner of a janitorial service, is on her knees scrubbing the floor of a funeral home. Suddenly the naked and badly bruised body of a man comes to life, and he takes her hostage. Over the next four days they are on the run, dodging bad cops and a ghost, as the former corpse, a cop working under cover, tries to save himself and Summer. Strong language, some violence, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1995.

The Christmas Oratorio RC 41151
by Göran Tunström
read by Jim Zeiger
3 cassettes
Contemporary Swedish novel. Solveig Nordensson is planning to stage Bach's *Christmas Oratorio* when she dies, trampled by cattle. Her family reacts tragically. Husband Aron believes she visits him and sees her incarnated in another woman. Son Sidner fathers an illegiti-

mate child and suffers mental illness. Finally grandson Victor brings redemption by staging the *Oratorio* himself. Some explicit descriptions of sex. Nordic Council Literary Prize. 1995.

Mother of Storms RC 41152
by John Barnes
read by David Hartley-Margolin
4 cassettes
The near-future Earth is a place of violence, moral decay, and social chaos. But now humankind faces a bigger problem when U.N. planes, bombing an illegal weapons cache, cause tons of methane to be released into the atmosphere. The resulting greenhouse effect spawns a gigantic hurricane thousands of miles wide in the Pacific. Millions die, and civilization faces extinction. Violence, strong language, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

Deliver Us from Evie RC 41156
by M.E. Kerr
read by Erik Sandvold
1 cassette
Evie Burrman, eighteen, is clever, sensitive, independent, and very competent at farming. She is handsome while her mother is pretty. Evie's mother is always trying to make her dress more like a lady, but Evie prefers jeans and sweatshirts. Her brother Parr narrates this tale of Evie and her fondness for Patsy Duffy, the town banker's daughter, and the effect it has on several families. Some strong language. For junior and senior high readers. 1994.

Last Train from Berlin RC 41159
by W.T. Tyler
read by David Hartley-Margolin
3 cassettes
When senior CIA officer Frank Dudley suddenly disappears, Kevin Corkery, a junior member of the staff, gets the investigation assignment. Lurking in the shadows is Dudley's cold war Russian counterpart. Corkery follows Dudley's trail from Washington to major cities all over Europe, but what he really learns for his trouble is that the difference between the antagonists in the bureaucracy of espionage is mighty small. Some strong language. 1994.

The Lost World RC 41160
by Michael Crichton
read by Chuck Benson
3 cassettes
This sequel to *Jurassic Park (RC 32018)* is set six years after the dinosaur island park disaster in which humans fought off genetically engineered replicas of prehistoric animals. One survivor of that attack is now a member of a group who return to the area and meet up with the remaining dinosaurs. Strong language and violence. Bestseller 1995.

Iced RC 41161
by Carol Higgins Clark
read by Mary Woods
2 cassettes
Ex-con Eben is happy with his new life as caretaker for the Aspen vacation home of actress Kendra Wood and her family. Plus, he gets to play Santa at neighboring Christmas parties for extra money. But when Eben runs into another ex-con, his luck changes. He is kidnapped and framed for a slew of robberies. Luckily sleuth Regan Reilly, a guest of the Woods, is there to investigate. 1995.

What a Piece of Work I Am (A Confabulation) RC 41170
by Eric Kraft
read by Christopher Hurt
2 cassettes
Peter Leroy, narrator of Kraft's earlier novel, *Where Do You Stop? (RC 36897)*, tells the story of the imaginary sister of his imaginary childhood friend. Ariane helps Peter's grandfather with his dying wife and tries to understand the couple's devotion. Later, Ariane turns herself into a performance piece for paying audiences and eventually for herself. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. 1994.

Smoke RC 41179
by John Ed Bradley
read by Roy Avers
3 cassettes
Smoke, a small Louisiana town, is slowly dying—thanks in part to the new Monster Marts being built by Rayford Holly. Pace Burnette, a young writer, has returned to his hometown to work on his second novel. He agrees to help his lifelong friend Jay Carnihan, owner of Hometown Family Goods, kidnap Holly and hold him until he apologizes for what he is doing to small towns. But Holly is a rather likable guy who charms everyone. Some strong language. 1994.

Let 'Em Eat Cake RC 41183
by Susan Jedren
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
Anna has two young sons and a car mechanic husband, Tom. Then she learns that Tom has been kicked out of night school and is unhappy with their marriage. To make ends meet, Anna, newly single and unskilled, takes a job delivering for HomeMade Cakes. She meets opposition from male coworkers, encounters harassment on her route, and endures bad relationships, but manages to rise above it all. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

The Collected Stories of Katherine Anne Porter RC 41186
by Katherine Anne Porter
read by Mitzi Friedlander
4 cassettes
This volume brings together all three previous collections of the author's short stories: *Flowering Judas*; *Pale Horse, Pale Rider*; and *The Leaning Tower and Other Stories*, as well as individual stories "The Leaning Tower," "The Downward Path to Wisdom," "A Day's Work," and "Holiday," which are collected here for the first time. 1965.

Three Novels: *The Deep*, *Beasts*, and *Engine Summer* RC 41216
by John Crowley
read by James DeLotel
4 cassettes
In *The Deep*, a nameless, sexless visitor from the sky enters a barely civilized world. In *Beasts*, a laboratory creation that is half man and half lion and his human lover fight to survive. In *Engine Summer*, a thousand years after civilization has fallen to ruins, a young man's quest for understanding leads him to the far past and deep into old mysteries. Some strong language. 1979.

Time Enough for Love: The Lives of Lazarus Long RC 41218
by Robert A. Heinlein
read by Roy Avers
5 cassettes (Reissue)
Born in 1912, Earth-born Woodrow Wilson Smith is known as the Senior. He is the oldest man alive, and the ancestor of most of the inhabitants of the

planet he lives on in the galactic year 2053. Some explicit descriptions of sex. 1973.

Wall of Brass RC 41228
by Robert Daley
read by Ray Foushee
3 cassettes
When New York police commissioner Harry Chapman is shot and killed while jogging, chief of detectives Bert Farber takes the case. Farber recalls that as a rookie cop Chapman planned to become president by age forty-five and that he had achieved each step on his timetable when he was cut down. Now, if Farber can solve Chapman's murder, he may be named commissioner. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

Selected Short Stories of William Faulkner RC 41229
by William Faulkner
read by David Palmer
2 cassettes
Thirteen short stories, most written in the 1930s, by the Nobel Prize-winning American novelist who died in 1962. In "Barn Burning," a man burns his enemies' barns, and his son tries to warn the victims. "That Evening Sun" recounts the tale of a black laundress who fears her lover after he learns she is pregnant by a white man. In "A Rose for Emily," a woman hides the corpse of her lover in an upstairs room. 1942.

The Age of Miracles: Stories RC 41243
by Ellen Gilchrist
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
Romance is the central theme of these sixteen stories that frequently feature Rhoda Katherine Manning, a successful woman writer in her fifties, who relishes her independence. One story finds Rhoda in Paris; in another, Rhoda explains how a brief affair with a doctor cost her ten thousand dollars. Other tales revolve around women who are willful, outspoken, and unapologetic. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1995.

Rose Madder RC 41248
by Stephen King
read by Carole Jordan Stewart
4 cassettes
After fourteen years of severe beatings from her police-detective husband, thirty-two-year-old Rosie Daniels runs away. A trip to a pawn shop reveals that her wedding ring is fake, but Rosie trades it for an unusual painting of a woman standing above some ruins. While Rosie begins a new life narrating books on tape, her relentless husband is tracking her. And her painting seems to be coming to life. Strong language and violence. Bestseller 1995.

Intensity RC 41250
by Dean Koontz
read by Madelyn Buzzard
3 cassettes
After a troubled childhood, psychology major Chyna Shepherd avoids friendship until she meets classmate Laura Templeton. But when she arrives for a weekend at Laura's parents' vineyard, the unthinkable happens: Laura's family is murdered as Chyna hides under her bed. Outraged, Chyna stows away aboard the killer's motor home and plots her revenge as he drives down the highway. Strong language and violence. Bestseller 1995.

The Stories of Stephen Dixon RC 41257
by Stephen Dixon
read by Rick Rohan
5 cassettes
Selected short fiction written over a period of thirty years. One recurring theme in the collection is the difficulty of maintaining civil relations between the sexes; another is the stress of urban life. And many stories seem to wander between meditating, daydreaming, and pondering the absurdity of life. Includes five chapters from *Frog (RC 34430)*. 1994.

The Annotated Baseball Stories of Ring W. Lardner, 1914–1919 RC 41266
edited by George W. Hilton
read by Gregory Gorton
5 cassettes
Twenty-four stories told in informal speech laced with humor. Includes six that were later collected in *You Know Me Al* and twelve adventures of Jack Keefe, the pompous White Sox pitcher. Footnotes throughout provide background on real players and events that are woven into the stories. 1995.

Mayhem in B-Flat RC 41285
by Elliot Paul
read by Christopher Walker
2 cassettes
As Homer Evans and his lady friend, Miriam Leonard, prepare to leave their vacation spot in Normandy, they observe a curious exchange between a notorious gang member and someone aboard the train bound for Paris. Sharing the compartment is a famous violinist. The next day his priceless instrument and accompanist disappear and another passenger is dead. Is there some connection between music, murder, and mystery? 1940.

Changes: A Love Story RC 41289
by Ama Ata Aidoo
read by Michele Schaeffer
2 cassettes
Esi and Opokuya—African friends, professional women, wives, and mothers—compare notes on the universal problems of women who juggle families with careers. Following an incident of marital rape, Esi divorces her husband. But her feminist beliefs are challenged anew when she enters into a polygamous second marriage and realizes that whatever changes women make, nothing alters the mind-set of the men in their lives. Some descriptions of sex. 1993.

Midnight Is a Lonely Place RC 41292
by Barbara Erskine
read by Vanessa Maroney
4 cassettes
When she splits up with her lover, English biographer Kate Kennedy rents a remote seaside cottage to write in. Her landlord's daughter, Allison Lindsey, has discovered what she thinks is an ancient Roman grave on the beach, and Kate begins having auditory hallucinations associated with the long-dead. Odd happenings escalate until Kate and the Lindseys are fighting for their lives. Strong language, violence, and some descriptions of sex. 1994.

The Magic Bullet RC 41296
by Harry Stein
read by Clay Teunis
3 cassettes
Young doctor Dan Logan decides to make a career change by accepting a relatively low-paying fellowship with the American Cancer Foundation. Once there, Logan is shocked by the ruthless competitive attitudes of the senior fellows. When he teams up with another

junior fellow, Sabrina Como, on an exciting protocol she stumbles across in old literature, Logan finds out how far his superiors will go to claim success. Strong language. 1995.

False Conception: A John Marshall Tanner Novel RC 41297
by Stephen Greenleaf
read by Gregory Gorton
2 cassettes
Attorney-turned-detective Tanner is hired by the wealthy fashion-industry Colberts to check the background of Greta Hammond, the chosen surrogate mother for their fertilized egg. Tanner gets more than a little involved with Hammond, and when she disappears after the implantation, he must sort out an old Colbert scandal to ensure the baby's safety. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

The Silver Branch: A Novel of the Keltiad RC 41299
by Patricia Kennealy-Morrison
read by George Holmes
4 cassettes
As heir to the throne of Keltia, Aeron is trained in the art of high magic so she will be prepared for the burdens she will inherit. Foes of the Kelts are mobilizing with plans to destroy their empire. Can Aeron's powers of sorcery change the destiny of Keltia when war erupts around them? Prequel to *The Copper Crown (RC 41300)* and *The Throne of Scone (RC 41301)*. 1988.

Song of the Silent Harp: An Emerald Ballad, Volume 1 RC 41303
by B.J. Hoff
read by Terry Donnelly
3 cassettes
The potato famine is devastating Ireland, and all Nora Kavanagh has left is her son Daniel and her faith in God. Her childhood friend Morgan Fitzgerald, whom she has always loved, arranges for Nora and Daniel to make their way to America. There they are helped by Michael Burke, now a New York City policeman, who loved Nora when they were children. Prequel to *Heart of the Lonely Exile (RC 41304)*. 1991.

Heart of the Lonely Exile: An Emerald Ballad, Volume 2 RC 41304
by B.J. Hoff
read by Terry Donnelly
3 cassettes
Michael Burke is delighted to have longtime friend Nora Kavanagh in America. Through strong faith in God, Nora has built a good life for herself and her extended family. Michael wants to marry Nora, but she is reluctant to accept his proposal. Is she in love with Evan Whittaker, the Englishman who helped them on their journey? And what about Morgan Fitzgerald back in England? Sequel to *Song of the Silent Harp (RC 41303)*. 1991.

Saint Ben RC 41308
by John Fischer
read by Gary Tipton
2 cassettes
Ben Beamering looks like a typical nine-year-old. But on the Sunday his father becomes the new pastor of a church in Pasadena, California, the people wonder about the way Ben seems to stand out from the rest of his family. The congregation, and especially his friend Jonathan, soon realize there is something special about Ben. Prequel to *The Saints' and Angels' Song (RC 41323)*. For junior and senior high and older readers. 1993.

The Last Innocent Man RC 41310
by Phillip Margolin
read by Ray Foushee
2 cassettes
Noted Portland criminal defense attorney David Nash finally has a chance to defend someone who actually seems innocent. Attorney Larry Stafford is accused of killing a policewoman who was posing as a prostitute. Although Nash is shocked to learn that Stafford's wife is a woman Nash has made love with recently, he believes her alibi for Stafford. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1981.

The Indictment RC 41312
by Barry Reed
read by Ray Foushee
3 cassettes
When wealthy, attractive Angela Williams is found dead by the side of the road, her married lover, Doctor Dillard, is the prime suspect. Boston attorney Dan Sheridan agrees to defend Dillard, not realizing that federal agents are also after the doctor. As Sheridan prepares to convince a grand jury not to indict, a new secretary watches his every move. Strong language, some violence, and some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1994.

Three Weddings and a Kiss RC 41314
by Kathleen E. Woodiwiss and others
read by Mitzi Friedlander
3 cassettes
Four short stories. In "Fancy Free" by Catherine Anderson, a young couple becomes involved in frontier revenge. "The Mad Earl's Bride" by Loretta Chase recounts the tale of a woman who offers to marry a "mad" earl. In "Promises" by Lisa Kleypas, a stubborn woman finally gives in to a persistent suitor. And in "The Kiss" by Woodiwiss, a young man proposes after an impetuous kiss. Some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1995.

The Choir RC 41318
by Joanna Trollope
read by David Palmer
2 cassettes
Aldminster Cathedral needs repair, and the dean is looking for funds. He creates a lot of animosity within the cathedral community when he puts the headmaster's historic home up for sale and decides to eliminate the boys' choir. As a struggle develops within the religious community and lives are turned upside down, there is a hopeful note—the new chorister, Henry Ashworth, whose voice may be the answer to their prayers. Companion to the PBS series. 1988.

Suspicion of Guilt RC 41321
by Barbara Parker
read by Madelyn Buzzard
3 cassettes
Since Florida attorney Gail Connor was accused of murder in *Suspicion of Innocence (RC 39125)*, her firm has been reluctant to assign her prominent cases. Then former classmate Patrick Norris, who dropped out of law school to pursue more ethical work, requests Gail's help. His wealthy aunt (a friend of Gail's mother) has died, and Patrick suspects her will is a forgery by her two stepchildren. Strong language and some violence. 1995.

Romance: An 87th Precinct Novel RC 41322
by Ed McBain
read by Ray Foushee
2 cassettes
Detective Bert Kling takes a complaint from actress Michelle Cassidy that

someone has been threatening to kill her with a knife. Oddly, she is starring in a play called *Romance* about an actress who is knifed. Three hours later, Kling learns Cassidy has been stabbed. As he tries to determine if the attack is a publicity stunt, he starts a romance of his own. Strong language, some violence, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1995.

The Saints' and Angels' Song RC 41323
by John Fischer
read by Gary Tipton
2 cassettes
Now that his best friend Ben Beamering is dead, Jonathan Liebermann has a great big, Ben-shaped hole in his heart as he tries to adjust to his loss. When he starts finding messages saying "Ben was here," Jonathan is sure some celestial being is helping him face the world again. Then he meets Donna, an aspiring roller-skate champion. Sequel to *Saint Ben (RC 41308)*. For junior and senior high and older readers. 1994.

Dream Catcher RC 41324
by Terry C. Johnston
read by Roy Avers
3 cassettes
Ten years ago Jonah Hook returned from the Civil War to learn his wife, daughter, and two sons had been kidnapped by Jubilee Usher, a Mormon zealot. Jonah has found his children, but is still searching for his wife, Gritta. Now with his oldest son, Jeremiah, and his friend, Two Sleep, Jonah sets out on a journey and endures hostilities and hardships. Sequel to *Winter Rain (RC 40580)*. Violence, strong language, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

Operation Remission RC 41332
by Paul Johnson
read by Ray Foushee
3 cassettes
Wendell "Jake" Jacobsen has leukemia and sets off across the country to bid farewell to his friends. Convinced the disease was caused when the government deliberately exposed soldiers to atomic radiation for research purposes, Jake and others seek revenge and an end to environmental abuse with a plot to release radioactive gas into congressional chambers while Congress is in session. Strong language and descriptions of sex. 1993.

The Obnoxious Jerks RC 41333
by Stephen Manes
read by Brian Conn
1 cassette
Frank Wess is new at Ullman Griswold Memorial High (UGH to the kids) and he feels somewhat like a misfit. But then he is invited to join the Obnoxious Jerks, a group of boys of supposedly superior intelligence who are known for their wacky ways of protesting school rules. It is Frank who comes up with one of their wildest ideas: wearing skirts to school to protest the "no shorts" mandate. Some strong language. For junior and senior high readers. 1988.

***Watch with Me* and Six Other Stories of the Yet-Remembered Ptolemy Proudfoot and His Wife, Miss Minnie, Née Quinch RC 41335**
by Wendell Berry
read by Jack Fox
1 cassette
These tales revolve around an awkward Kentucky farmer. Tol, as he is known, presents an amusing image, but his wife and neighbors appreciate the goodness

of his character. In the title story, a group of men worried about the intentions of a mentally unstable young man who picks up Tol's gun follow him patiently until his "spell" is resolved. 1994.

The First Sacrifice RC 41338
by Thomas Gifford
read by Roy Avers
4 cassettes
Twenty years have passed since John Cooper almost single-handedly crushed the underground rise of Germany's Fourth Reich. Now John resides in Boston, where he spends his time watching old movies. But his quiet lifestyle is shattered when he receives a call from his sister Lee indicating that her daughter is missing. Sequel to *The Wind Chill Factor (RC 14469)*. Strong language and some violence. 1994.

Behind the Lines: The Corps, Book 7 RC 41352
by W.E.B. Griffin
read by Roy Avers
3 cassettes
After an odd radio transmission to headquarters in the Philippines, General Fleming Pickering is assigned to find out if a group of American guerrillas is really on Bataan harassing the occupying Japanese. Pickering's diverse but gung-ho group dodges the political maneuvering of the brass in Washington and slips behind the lines. Sequel to *Close Combat (RC 36120)*. Violence, strong language, and descriptions of sex. 1995.

The Judge RC 41353
by Steve Martini
read by Ray Foushee
3 cassettes
Widowed attorney Paul Madriani, from *Undue Influence (RC 38592)*, is attracted to prosecutor Lenore Goya. He is trying to help her cousin, but unlikable Judge Acosta is standing in his way. Then, in rapid sequence, the judge is framed by an undercover female cop, Lenore is fired for her handling of the case, the female cop is murdered, and ironically Lenore and Paul become Acosta's defense lawyers. Some violence and some strong language. 1995.

The Codicil RC 41355
by Tom Topor
read by Roy Avers
3 cassettes
Millionaire Matthew Marshall dies shortly after requesting a codicil to his will that gives a large portion of his estate to the child he believes he fathered in Vietnam. Attorney-turned-investigator Adam Bruno is hired by Marshall's executor to find out if the now-grown child exists. Concerned that the executor is siding with Marshall's American family, Bruno conducts his search in secret. Strong language, violence, and descriptions of sex. 1995.

Cold, Cold Heart RC 41356
by James Elliott
read by Scott Dowd
2 cassettes
After CIA agent Mike Culley took the fall for the agency, he was sent to prison and his wife killed herself. Now the CIA springs Culley to track a former KGB officer who has reverted to his old habit of torturing and killing young women. Also on the serial killer's trail is *Washington Post* reporter Julie Houser, whose years on the police force come in handy when she teams up with Culley. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

Second Son RC 41362
by Stephen Stark
read by Ray Foushee
3 cassettes
Lonesome after the long-ago suicide of his wife and the more recent death of his oldest son, Addie is thrilled when his second son, Jack, comes home to work with him. But Jack, restless and uncomfortable with the past, soon leaves town. The relationship between them is put on hold until both men enter unlikely love affairs that restore their need for each other. Explicit descriptions of sex, some strong language, and some violence. 1992.

The Stalkers, the Battle of Beecher Island, 1868: The Plainsmen, Book 3 RC 41365
by Terry C. Johnston
read by John Polk
3 cassettes
Johnston continues his tale of the plainsmen with an account of the nine-day battle that took place on an unnamed prairie riverbed in Colorado Territory in 1868. Fifty plainsmen find themselves surrounded by thousands of Indians, with no means of escape. Sequel to *Red Cloud's Revenge (RC 40640)*. Violence and strong language. 1990.

Black Sun, the Battle of Summit Springs, 1869: The Plainsmen, Book 4 RC 41366
by Terry C. Johnston
read by John Polk
2 cassettes
In this sequel to *The Stalkers (RC 41365)*, the author continues his account of the plainsmen. Seamus Donegan joins "Buffalo" Bill Cody and the Fifth Cavalry as they travel west. Johnston describes the Fifth Cavalry's 1869 attack on the Dog Soldiers of Tall Bull Cheyenne that ended the cohesiveness of the Cheyenne Dog Soldiers. Violence and strong language. 1991.

Devil's Backbone, the Modoc War, 1872–1873: The Plainsmen, Book 5 RC 41367
by Terry C. Johnston
read by John Polk
3 cassettes
The tale of the plainsmen continues as Seamus Donegan and his uncle arrive at Tule Lake in Oregon country. There the Modoc Indians, led by Chief Kientpoos, are besieged by the U.S. Army in a battle that lasts seven months. Sequel to *Black Sun (RC 41366)*. Violence and strong language. 1991.

Shadow Riders, the Southern Plains Uprising, 1873: The Plainsmen, Book 6 RC 41368
by Terry C. Johnston
read by John Polk
2 cassettes
As Johnston continues his tale of the plainsmen and the Indian Wars, he focuses on the Kiowa Indians, led by Chief White Bear. Because the white men have killed many buffalo and broken many promises, the Indians are now leaving their reservations and returning to the southern plains where they hope to reclaim their land. Sequel to *Devil's Backbone (RC 41367)*. Violence and strong language. 1991.

The Far Side of the Dollar RC 41374
by Ross Macdonald
read by Ray Foushee
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Detective Lew Archer seeks a youth who escaped from a private school for delinquents. The search reveals the disturbing values of a California coastal society. 1964.

Loving Edith RC 41375
by Mary Tannen
read by Ann Hodapp
2 cassettes
Twenty-one years ago Lucille Arslanian left her job with *Ubu* magazine to have a baby in upstate New York. Lucille, now a struggling artist known as Lulu, learns that Edith, the daughter she gave up for adoption, is a summer intern at *Ubu*. Keeping her own identity a secret, Lulu tries to befriend Edith. Meanwhile *Ubu*'s editor falls in love with Edith, not realizing she's his child. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1995.

The Longest Memory RC 41393
by Fred D'Aguiar
read by James DeLotel
1 cassette
Set in Virginia in the early 1800s. Different generations of white landowners and black slaves present the experience of plantation life. When the master's daughter teaches Chapel, a rebellious youth, to read, he falls in love with her and attempts to run away. But the man Chapel calls father, hoping for leniency, reveals Chapel's whereabouts. And the punishment—200 strokes—kills him. Some strong language. 1994.

No Body RC 41394
by Nancy Pickard
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
Lucille Grant, president of the Union Hill Cemetery Historical Society, always goes to visit her ancestors on the first warm spring day. But as she stands by her grandfather's grave, the muddy ground begins to give away, and Lucille realizes there is no body buried there. Before long, it is discovered that 133 bodies are missing. Jenny Cain is called in to dig up some answers. Some strong language. 1986.

The Horse Whisperer RC 41402
by Nicholas Evans
read by David Hartley-Margolin
3 cassettes
Thirteen-year-old Grace Maclean loses her leg when she and her horse, Pilgrim, are struck by a truck. Pilgrim is also injured—mentally and physically. Grace's mother, magazine editor Annie Graves, learns of a horse whisperer—Tom Booker—who might be able to restore Pilgrim. In hopes that he will also help Grace, Annie takes both of them to his ranch in Montana. Strong language, violence, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1995.

Arms of Nemesis RC 41404
by Steven Saylor
read by Bob Kuhn
3 cassettes
The Spartacus Slave Revolt is underway in 72 B.C., and a couple of slaves are suspected of murder. Gordianus the Finder is awakened late at night by a visitor who insists he come with him to Baiae on the Bay of Naples. Upon arrival, Gordianus learns the overseer of Marcus Crassus's estate has been murdered, and if the guilty parties cannot be found before the funeral games, ninety-nine slaves will die. Some violence. 1992.

Little Grey Mice RC 41410
by Brian Freemantle
read by Miranda Daniloff
4 cassettes
In the intelligence community, "little grey mice" are lonely, unattached women in government service. One such woman is dull, careful Elke Meyer,

assistant to a German cabinet member with access to every secret in the government. Otto Reimann, an agent specially trained in seduction, is sent by the KGB to exploit her loneliness. Their relationship becomes less predictable than either one would like. Explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 1991.

Better than Friends RC 41412
by Sally Laity
read by Susan Nardone
1 cassette
Even though her fiancé, Ken, will disapprove of her making a decision without him, Callie is thrilled to find a condo for rent near the shop she owns with her friend. But when Callie meets her new neighbor, she is dismayed. Lex was a thorn in her side her entire childhood, teasing her constantly. What Callie doesn't realize is that Lex, who has accepted Jesus, regrets his past behavior. 1994.

Life with a Star RC 41416
by Jirí Weil
read by Robert Blumenfeld
2 cassettes
Set in Czechoslovakia during World War II. After the Nazis occupy Prague, bank clerk Josef Roubicek is disturbed to find his freedom restricted because he is a Jew. Then he has to wear a six-pointed yellow star pinned over his heart. Physical privations add to the insult until he begins to fear for his mind. Then he determines to preserve his imagination, which he does by learning to enter the world of an animal. Now he has no fear, no name, and no life. 1989.

Family Album: A Mellingham Mystery RC 41417
by Susan Oleksiw
read by Suzanne Toren
2 cassettes
Everyone in the sedate New England coastal town of Mellingham is rattled when curator George Frome is murdered at Arbella House, home of the local historical society. Everyone, that is, except Police Chief Joe Silva: Frome had suspected theft at the society's headquarters. But before Chief Silva can rummage through an assortment of antiques and clues, he is confronted with a second mysterious death. This upper-crust society is hiding something. 1995.

The Reindeer Hunters RC 41419
by Joan Wolf
read by J.P. Linton
3 cassettes
As the Ice Age ends in southern France, the Kindred and Norakamo tribes along the River of Gold continue their feud. When members of each tribe are unnecessarily killed, the tribal chiefs agree to a truce to be sealed by the marriage of one's son to the other's daughter. Soon the tribes face a new enemy. Companion to *Daughter of the Red Deer (RC 37125)*. Some violence and some descriptions of sex. 1994.

The Unconsoled RC 41420
by Kazuo Ishiguro
read by John Horton
4 cassettes
The author of *The Remains of the Day (RC 30751)* places this protagonist, master pianist Ryder, in a hotel in an unnamed European city. Ryder is hazy about the details of his visit, but finds everyone at the hotel quite excited to

see him. Although his hostess, Miss Strattman, assures him that no one wants to distract him, Ryder is approached by numerous people who seem oddly familiar and who all have unusual requests of his time. Bestseller 1995.

The Luck Runs Out RC 41422
by Charlotte MacLeod
read by Gordon Gould
2 cassettes
Shortly after Martha, otherwise known as Flackley the Farrier, dines with the Shandys, her body is discovered in the pig feeder. Soon faculty and students at Balaclava Agricultural College are immersed in clues, suspects, and a profound lack of evidence. Then Belinda, a pregnant prize sow, disappears, causing a fuss that makes murder seem minor. But when horseshoes are hung the wrong way, everyone knows there is trouble afoot. Some strong language. 1979.

Water Witches RC 41424
by Chris Bohjalian
read by Gordon Gould
2 cassettes
Attorney Scottie Winston's sister-in-law, Patience, is famous for her dowsing skill in finding water, oil, and even people, and his young daughter, Miranda, has inherited this talent. Scottie now faces a problem: the ski resort he represents wants rights to a river to create more snow. But a drought has left the river lower than ever, and Patience's environmentalist fiancé, Senator McClure, presents vigorous opposition. Strong language. 1995.

Dragons of Summer Flame: Dragonlance Chronicles, Volume 4 RC 41425
by Margaret Weis and Tracy Hickman
read by John Horton
4 cassettes
Despite her previous defeat at the hands of the Solamnic knights, the Dark Queen has again grown powerful and now commands new minions dedicated to serving her. She again lays plans for the conquest of Krynn, until a young woman appears in Palanthas with knowledge of a magical race of beings known as the Irda. Sequel to *Dragons of Spring Dawning (RC 29173)*. Bestseller 1995.

Play It Again RC 41429
by Stephen Humphrey Bogart
read by Ken Kliban
2 cassettes
Like himself, the author's protagonist is the son of movie stars. R.J. Brooks is a matrimonial detective in New York. At his last meeting with his widowed mother, Belle Fontaine, she admitted to being "no great shakes as a mother" but urged him to let her be his friend. Now, a year later, he learns she has been murdered on his own turf. Strong language, violence, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1995.

A Cardinal Offense: A Father Dowling Mystery RC 41430
by Ralph McInerny
read by John Horton
2 cassettes
Father Dowling is admiring two 45-yard-line tickets for the Notre Dame vs. USC game that he found in his mail when he is visited by Michael Geary, who wants his marriage annulled. The timing is ironic; Dowling is to attend a conference on annulment practices while at Notre Dame. The main speak-

er will be Cardinal Hildebrand from the Vatican. But before the meeting, Geary is murdered and the cardinal is threatened. 1994.

Father's Day RC 41431
by John Calvin Batchelor
read by Robert Blumenfeld
3 cassettes
Washington, D.C., 2003. President Theodore G. Jay, suffering from depression, had turned over the reigns of government to Vice-President Thomas Edison Garland and checked into the hospital. Now he is better and wants to resume his position. But under the Twenty-fifth Amendment, the vice president can challenge that decision. And that is just what Garland does. Violence and strong language. 1994.

Someone Else's Ghost RC 41437
by Margaret Buffie
read by Nona Pipes
2 cassettes
Shortly after Jessica's brother, Scotty, dies in a canoe accident, Jessica's father moves her and her distraught mother to a guest ranch he has bought in Alberta. Angry at her father's indifference, Jessica becomes alarmed when her mother announces that Scotty is contacting her. But it's not Scotty who is haunting the ranch. It's young Ian, who lived there at the turn of the century and hated his mother. Some strong language. For junior and senior high readers. 1992.

Final Design RC 41438
by Noreen Gilpatrick
read by Barbara Caruso
3 cassettes
New Seattle homicide detective Kate MacLean gets her first case when Catherine Fletcher is found dead in her graphic arts studio. As MacLean talks to Fletcher's partners and family members, it becomes apparent the woman had a cruel lying streak. But as MacLean tries to determine who Fletcher angered enough to poison her, she learns the victim had cancer and may have killed herself. Then another partner dies. And another. Strong language. 1993.

Drown All the Dogs: A Neil Hockaday Mystery RC 41439
by Thomas Adcock
read by L.J. Ganser
2 cassettes
New York detective Neil Hockaday has always wanted to know about his father, who disappeared before he was born. His only relative is dying in Ireland, so Neil and his girlfriend, Ruby Flagg, go there to try to learn more about Neil's father. But several tragic events find Hockaday in trouble with the law on both sides of the Atlantic Ocean. Some strong language, some violence, and some descriptions of sex. 1994.

The Twilight of Courage RC 41441
by Bodie and Brock Thoene
read by Ken Kliban
6 cassettes
The authors provide a fictional chronicle of World War II from the Nazi occupation of Warsaw to the evacuation of the Allied troops from Dunkirk. Told from the point of view of two American journalists, an American pilot with the Royal Air Force, a German officer, and a French soldier as they come to terms morally and spiritually with the war, the story recounts heroic deeds, the rescue of babies, and couples falling in love. 1994.

Ruffly Speaking: A Dog Lover's Mystery RC 41444
by Susan Conant
read by Catherine Byers
2 cassettes
Obsessed with dogs, Holly Winter owns two Alaskan malamutes, writes a column for *Dog's Life* magazine, and dates her dog's vet. When fellow dog-lover Morris Lamb dies after eating poisonous greens from his garden, a female rector with a hearing dog moves into his house. Interviewing the rector for the magazine, Holly is surprised to learn that the dog has been exhibiting odd behavior in his new house. Some strong language. 1994.

The Bourbaki Gambit RC 41445
by Carl Djerassi
read by Robert Blumenfeld
2 cassettes
Like *Cantor's Dilemma (RC 31438)*, this novel focuses on the problems of modern scientists. Princeton professor Max Weiss meets Diana Doyle-Ditmus, who wants Max to supply her with some cyanide so she can commit suicide. Instead Max, Diana, and two other scientists team up to develop PCR, the ability to replicate genetic material. They use the pseudonym Diana Skordylis, an idea they take from a team that published under the name Nicolas Bourbaki. 1994.

Third and Indiana RC 41447
by Steve Lopez
read by Christopher Hurt
2 cassettes
At night Ofelia rides her bicycle around the streets of Philadelphia looking for her fourteen-year-old son, Gabriel, who has moved up from decoy to lookout and now dealer in the drug world. Gabriel hasn't come home because he owes Diablo money that he doesn't have. Meanwhile, Gabriel hangs out with Eddie, a kindly jazz player who lives in the area the police call the Badlands and has his own problems. Violence, strong language, and descriptions of sex. 1994.

Leave the Grave Green RC 41456
by Deborah Crombie
read by Patricia Kilgarriff
2 cassettes
Scotland Yard Superintendent Duncan Kincaid and Sergeant Gemma James, also of *All Shall Be Well (RC 38691)*, travel to the countryside when Connor Swann is found in the Thames River. Swann is the estranged husband of Julia, daughter of two prominent opera figures. The family had suffered a similar loss two decades earlier when Julia's brother Matthew drowned while playing. But Swann's death doesn't appear to be an accident. Strong language. 1995.

Dear Irene,: An Irene Kelly Mystery RC 41458
by Jan Burke
read by Catherine Byers
2 cassettes
Reporter Irene Kelly returns to work, though she has not quite recovered from injuries sustained during her most recent murder investigation. On the first day back, Irene receives a threatening message rooted in Greek myth and signed by "Thanatos," a Greek name for "death." Thinking it must be a joke, Irene ignores it at first, but soon the killer's threats force her to take action. Some strong language. 1995.

Call to Duty RC 41460
by Richard Herman Jr.
read by Jim Zeiger
4 cassettes
Heather Courtland, daughter of the unscrupulous U.S. senator, is captured by pirates and sold to an Asian drug lord as she and some friends are sailing in the South Pacific. President Zack Pontowski wants to send in troops to rescue Heather and her friends, but Heather's father is willing to risk his daughter for his own political gain. Sequel to *Firebreak (RC 41461)*. Strong language, violence, and some descriptions of sex. 1993.

Firebreak RC 41461
by Richard Herman Jr.
read by Jim Zeiger
3 cassettes
The second Gulf War has ended, but Iraq, Syria, and Egypt are planning a joint attack on Israel. Israel threatens to use its powerful nuclear weapons if Iraq uses its deadly nerve gas. Hoping to avert another war, U.S. President Zachary Pontowski sends to the area a squadron of fighter planes—one piloted by his grandson Matt. Prequel to *Call to Duty (RC 41460)*. Strong language, violence, and descriptions of sex. 1991.

Fortune's Knave: The Making of William the Conqueror RC 41463
by Mary Lide
read by Jeremy Gage
3 cassettes
Fictional account of the formative years of William, the only son of Robert, duke of Normandy. Being illegitimate, William has to fight for his right to the title after his father dies in 1035 while on a pilgrimage to the Holy Land. Attempts on William's life take him to France and the court of Henry I, where he meets his future wife, Matilda of Flanders. Some violence. For high school and older readers. 1992.

A Place Called Home RC 41472
by Lori Wick
read by Mary Woods
2 cassettes
In 1887, when nineteen-year-old Christine Bennett's grandfather dies, she receives a startling note from his associate informing her she is in danger and should leave town. Arriving in Baxter, Christine is robbed and stabbed. After the town doctor, Mark Cameron, arranges for her to live with his grandmother, the Cameron family brings God into Christine's life. As her past catches up with her, Christine falls in love. 1990.

The Empty House RC 41478
by Rosamunde Pilcher
read by Jill Ferris
1 cassette
Three months after her husband's accidental death, Virginia Keile reluctantly leaves her children with her mother-in-law and their nanny and takes a vacation in Cornwall. There she encounters Eustace Philips, a farmer she had fallen in love with at seventeen. As Eustace chides her into taking control of her life, the two untangle the reasons they drifted apart years before. 1973.

Rainbow's End: A Richard Jury Novel RC 41480
by Martha Grimes
read by Bob Askey
3 cassettes
Scotland Yard's Superintendent Richard Jury has been called in to investigate the deaths of three women, all from "natural causes." The first victim, a young American from Santa Fe, New

Mexico, died in Salisbury. The other two, who were British, died in London and Exeter. When Jury learns that all three had been in New Mexico at the same time, he is off to the U.S. to sleuth. Some strong language. 1995.

Listening Woman RC 41481
by Tony Hillerman
read by Bob Askey
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Navajo detective Joe Leaphorn investigates the dual murder of an old soothsayer and a young girl, the bizarre kidnapping of a Boy Scout troop, and attempts on his own life. Some strong language and some violence. 1978.

Hard Case: A Cat Marsala Mystery RC 41487
by Barbara D'Amato
read by Mary Woods
2 cassettes
Freelance journalist Cat Marsala accepts an assignment to write about the dwindling number of Chicago trauma centers. But as Marsala begins her observation at a level-one trauma center, the director, Hannah Grant, is found murdered. Having solved mysteries before, Marsala feels compelled to do some sleuthing. Before she can identify the murderer from an array of suspects, another doctor is murdered. Strong language and some violence. 1994.

Water Hazard RC 41489
by Scott Borg
read by Chuck Benson
3 cassettes
Anderson is befriended at a bar and then drugged. He awakens to find a man who looks just like him trying to drown him. In self-defense Anderson drowns the look-alike, only to learn that the police and everyone else believe Anderson to be dead. Anderson assumes his assailant's identity while he searches for the reason behind the murder attempt. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1995.

Ambush at Corellia: Star Wars Corellian Trilogy, Volume 1 RC 41492
by Roger MacBride Allen
read by Chuck Benson
2 cassettes
After a long absence, Han Solo returns to Corellia, his home world, with his family and his constant companion, Chewbacca. He finds that things have changed for the worse. The three native races of the sector are on the brink of a civil war. To make matters worse, Corellia is cut off from the rest of the galaxy, and Han cannot contact his friend Luke Skywalker for help. Prequel to *Assault at Selonia (RC 42545)*. 1995.

Passion's Promise RC 41497
by Danielle Steel
read by Yvonne Fair Tessler
3 cassettes
Kezia St. Martin's parents were of British nobility and American aristocracy, and Kezia is one of the fifty wealthiest women in the world. She studies journalism, but her fame makes it impossible for her to work until she begins to use aliases. She keeps her double life completely secret until one of her "identities" is assigned to interview prison reformer Lucas Johns and she falls in love. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1976.

The Tree of the Seventh Heaven RC 41499
by Milton Hatoum
read by Yvonne Fair Tessler
2 cassettes
An adopted daughter narrates this tale

of Emilie, the family matriarch who has just died. The family, gathered for her funeral, reminisce about aspects of Emilie's life, including her time in a convent, her marriage to a Muslim, the move from Lebanon to the Amazon jungle, and her children and disabled granddaughter. But most important are the secrets hidden in the trunk Emilie brought with her to the Amazon. 1994.

The Shaman Sings RC 41500
by James D. Doss
read by David Hartley-Margolin
2 cassettes
Daisy Perika, a Ute shaman, hears a coyote calling to her, and her old friend Nahum Yaciiti, a shepherd, has seen balls of fire. They both know something bad is going to happen. Then graduate student Priscilla Song is brutally murdered in a lab while working on a room-temperature superconductor. It seems someone else wants credit for her ground-breaking research. Violence and some strong language. 1994.

Summer Storms RC 41505
by Emma Goldrick
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
1 cassette
Phil Atmor, president of Atmor Fisheries, has a problem. Phil lives on a small island because of his miniature pig, Sam. But now Phil and Sam have a neighbor, violinist Charlotte "Charlie" MacEnnaly. Charlie has a temper and complains about everything, especially Sam. During a squabble, Charlie breaks a finger. Can she let Phil help her while it mends? Some strong language. 1991.

Children of the Jedi RC 41510
by Barbara Hambly
read by Chuck Benson
3 cassettes
After an old friend tries to murder Han Solo on the jungle world of Ithor, Luke Skywalker sets out for a distant star system to learn the reason for the assassination attempt. Meanwhile Han Solo and Princess Leia investigate the rumor of a lost enclave of Jedi children on the isolated world of Belsavis and come up against an old evil from the days of the Empire. A Star Wars novel. Bestseller 1995.

Breathing Water RC 41516
by Thomas Gavin
read by Christopher Walker
3 cassettes
Rising Sun is a town of honest, respectable citizens including millionairess Edna Kane. Nothing changes much from day to day, until illustrator and scam artist Everet Dusseau arrives in town, bringing with him a twelve-year-old boy he claims is the kidnapped grandson of Edna Kane. But is he the child taken years ago, or is this one of Dusseau's scams to make money? Strong language. 1994.

***The Grandmother's Tale* and Selected Stories RC 41517**
by R.K. Narayan
read by Kimberly Schraf
2 cassettes
Collection of nineteen tales set in India spans five decades of the author's work. In the title story, a grandmother tells of her mother, who was married at the age of ten and abandoned shortly thereafter by her husband. In "Second Opinion," a son learns that his mother arranged a marriage for him when he was only five.

And "A Horse and Two Goats" tells of an encounter between a New Yorker and an Indian peasant. 1994.

The Fall Line RC 41518
by Mark T. Sullivan
read by Christopher Walker
3 cassettes
Four months after he leaves his former life behind, Jack Farrell is skiing in Utah under the name of Nate Collins with a new face given him by government surgeons. He continues to court danger by participating in a Frenchwoman's documentary on skiing. Off the slopes, he relives the horror of his past by reading his wife's diary. Some strong language. 1994.

City Blood: A Novel of Revenge RC 41519
by Clark Howard
read by Robert Sams
3 cassettes
When a stripper is killed on their beat, Chicago cop Joe Kiley and his partner Nick Bianco decide to solve the murder before the homicide detectives do. But while searching for the stripper's mob-connected ex-boyfriend, Bianco is killed. Grief-stricken and guilt-ridden, Kiley sets out to avenge his partner's death. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

The Mutiny Run RC 41523
by Frank Eccles
read by Rick Rohan
2 cassettes
England and France are at war, but numerous British ships are tied up at Spithead by a mutiny. So Captain Brewster of the *HMS Adamant* has been ordered to Brest, France, as a show of force to keep French troops from sailing to Ireland. He is joined by the Russian sloop *Catherine*, which just happens to have on board a lovely young lady who catches the eye of midshipman John Lawson aboard the *Adamant*. 1994.

Stir-Fry RC 41524
by Emma Donoghue
read by Mary Kane
2 cassettes
Maria, seventeen, has arrived in Dublin to attend college. She is fortunate to find an ad on the school notice board for a flat where she will be able to have her own room. So she moves in with Ruth and Jael, both in their twenties. Maria is naive and doesn't immediately realize that her flatmates are lesbians. As the year progresses, Maria begins to discover her own identity and in the end must choose between Ruth and Jael. Some strong language. 1994.

Desert Kill RC 41537
by Philip Gerard
read by Gary Telles
2 cassettes
Roy Pope, an English professor in Tempe, Arizona, is surprised when his uncle Paul, a homicide cop, asks him to come look at a murder victim. The almost-decapitated young woman is wearing the clothes of Roy's student Cindy Callison, but he can tell it's someone else. Cindy is missing, however, and Paul wants Roy to help him find her. Roy agrees, concealing from both his wife and Paul that he had contemplated a fling with Cindy. Strong language and violence. 1994.

Holy Terror RC 41540
by Josephine Boyle
read by Anne Flosnik
2 cassettes
Emily Wakelin is a freelance embroideress who has recently moved into an old

Essex cottage with her new husband. One day while sketching the intriguing main house next door, Emily is invited over by the curt owner, Lady Curran. As Emily tours the unused upstairs, she feels a cold hand pulling her. Has she just met her first ghost? 1993.

Come and Go, Molly Snow RC 41541
by Mary Ann Taylor-Hall
read by Laura Giannarelli
2 cassettes
Fiddle player Carrie Mullins is staying on a Kentucky farm with two older women while she grieves over the accidental death of her little girl, Molly Snow. She blames her long-time obsession with Cap Dunlap, the leader of her bluegrass band, for the death because she was daydreaming about him instead of watching Molly. Now Cap wants to know when Carrie will be recovered enough to join him in a record deal. Some strong language. 1995.

Jubilee RC 41543
by Margaret Walker
read by Norman Fitz
4 cassettes (Reissue)
The daughter of a plantation owner and his black mistress is reared to young womanhood as a servant in this story, which chronicles the triumph of a free spirit over many forms of bondage. Some violence and some strong language. For high school and older readers. 1966.

October's Ghost RC 41547
by Ryne Douglas Pearson
read by Gary Telles
3 cassettes
The United States is involved in peace negotiations with Russia and is also supporting a move to overthrow Castro. An informant, who warns the United States that Castro has an old nuclear weapon he plans to use against them, is killed, and FBI agents Art Jefferson and Francine Aguirre are looking for his murderer. Meanwhile Russia becomes skeptical about U.S. action, endangering the peace process. Violence and strong language. 1994.

Magnus RC 41548
by Sigmund Brouwer
read by Michele Schaeffer
4 cassettes
England, 1312. Thomas, orphaned as a child, is only fourteen when he disguises himself as a specter and rescues three people from the gallows. Taking with him a knight he has rescued, Thomas sets out to conquer the eight-hundred-year-old kingdom of Magnus. Along the way, he faces evil conspirators and uncovers ancient secrets. His only hope is a powerful weapon he has carried with him since childhood. 1995.

Robin's Diary RC 41586
by Judith Pinsker
read by Ann Hodapp
2 cassettes
High school student Robin Scorpio and her boyfriend, Stone Cates, are characters from a *General Hospital* soap opera story by Claire Labine. Robin's diary covers the two years during which the couple meet and fall in love, despite the disapproval of Robin's guardian. When Stone is diagnosed with AIDS, Robin takes care of him, not knowing if she too will become HIV positive. Some strong language. Bestseller 1995.

A Miracle of Rare Design: A Tragedy of Transcendence RC 41588
by Mike Resnick
read by John Polk
2 cassettes
Working to open up new worlds for the human Republic, Xavier Lennox explores alien cultures by surgically altering his body to resemble the aliens that he infiltrates. On the planet Medina, he takes on the form of the native "Firefly" people to persuade them to accept human mining corporations. But on each subsequent mission, he finds it more difficult to return to being human. Some strong language. 1994.

Rite of Passage RC 41640
by Richard Wright
read by L.J. Ganser
1 cassette
Posthumous novella. Johnny Gibbs is feeling good about his report card and a chance to go to the movies when he is presented with the shocking news that he's a foster child and has to move to a new home. Instead, Johnny takes to the streets, embarking on a crime spree to relieve his rage. But Johnny's search for identity turns into a struggle with alienation, poverty, racism, and power. Violence and strong language. For high school and older readers. 1994.

Over the Water RC 41643
by Maude Casey
read by Terry Donnelly
2 cassettes
Fourteen-year-old Mary lives in England, where she was born. But all year long, her family prepares for the annual trip to Ireland, which they call "home." Mary feels bitter and wonders where she belongs. Then one summer, as she helps out on her granny's farm, Mary develops an understanding about her heritage. Contains a glossary of Irish expressions. For junior and senior high readers. 1994.

***Hornblower during the Crisis* and Two Other Stories, *Hornblower's Temptation* and *The Last Encounter* RC 41649**
by C.S. Forester
read by Patrick Horgan
1 cassette (Reissue)
Hornblower receives a promotion and is relieved of his command of the *Hotspur* in this incomplete final novel in the series. When the new captain is court-martialed, Hornblower is asked to testify. Two short stories depicting Hornblower in his youth and old age are included. 1950.

Mrs. Malory, Detective in Residence RC 41650
by Hazel Holt
read by Carmella Ross
1 cassette
Widowed literary critic Sheila Malory is rather nervous about leaving her quiet life in Taviscombe to teach a course at a Pennsylvania college in the department of her old friend, Linda Kowolski. These fears are put on the back burner when, before the coursework starts, Mrs. Malory discovers the body of a generally disliked curator. And that's not the only death to occur this semester. Strong language. 1994.

Murder Fantastical RC 41651
by Patricia Moyes
read by Graeme Malcolm
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Summoned to a village in England to investigate a murder, a detective becomes involved with a family of eccentrics. It takes a book of Homer, secret files from the British government,

and a letter from a long-dead physician to solve the case. 1967.

No Time for Heroes RC 41654
by Brian Freemantle
read by Ken Kliban
3 cassettes
Russia's senior cultural attaché in Washington is killed Mafia style, and William Cowley of the FBI is called in to investigate. Assisting him is Russian detective Dimitri Danilov, who is having trouble coping with the "new" Russia. Traveling to Geneva, Brighton Beach, Sicily, and Moscow, the two uncover a complex web of plots and multimillion-dollar deals. Companion to *The Button Man (RC 38139)*. Strong language. 1994.

Code of Honor: Australian Destiny, Book 1 RC 41655
by Sandy Dengler
read by Graeme Malcolm
2 cassettes
Conditions in Ireland were bleak in the early 1900s. So when an offer of indenture gave Samantha Connolly and her two sisters a chance to travel, they signed up. But now that they are in Australia working for Cole Sloan, Sam begins to wonder if they made a mistake. Life is so different here, and Cole is having trouble keeping his sugar plantation solvent. Prequel to *Power of Pinjarra (RC 41670)*. 1988.

The Cat Who Said Cheese RC 41656
by Lilian Jackson Braun
read by Bob Askey
2 cassettes
It is autumn in Pickax City, and Qwillerin, along with other residents, is preparing for the Great Food Explo—a festival of all kinds of happenings related to food. There is also a mysterious female guest at the New Pickax Hotel whose presence is causing quite a stir. But things really get hectic when a bomb explodes in the hotel and the intended victim seems to be the mystery guest. As usual, Siamese cats Koko and Yum Yum help solve the crime. Bestseller 1996.

True Crime RC 41658
by Andrew Klavan
read by Michael Stanton
2 cassettes
Frank Beachum is about to be put to death for killing a pregnant store clerk, a crime he says he did not commit. On his last day he has an interview scheduled with a reporter. But the reporter is injured in a car wreck that morning, so the assignment is passed to her colleague Steve Everett. Annoyed at having his day off interrupted, Everett doesn't give the story much thought—until he stumbles on a clue to Beachum's innocence. Strong language. 1995.

The Best American Short Stories, 1995: Selected from U.S. and Canadian Magazines RC 41677
edited by Jane Smiley
read by John Stratton
3 cassettes
In selecting the twenty stories in this collection, Smiley indicates the order of the stories is artful—like a Chinese meal—so that the flavors enhance each other as the feast progresses. These "strange, exotic, rich, and charming" stories include selections by Gish Jen, Ellen Gilchrist, Stephen Dobyns, Kate Braverman, and Jamaica Kincaid. Bestseller 1995.

Too Close for Comfort RC 41687
by Ellen Feldman
read by Suzanne Toren
2 cassettes
Isobel Behringer has just married New York psychiatrist Peter Arlen. He sees patients in his apartment, so, according to his wishes, Isobel is careful not to be seen during office hours. But things of hers disappear, and she is plagued by a string of harassing phone calls from a woman. And then she receives pictures of Peter in the mail and finds clues that he may be having an affair. Strong language, some violence, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

People of the Earth: The First North Americans, Volume 3 RC 41690
by W. Michael Gear and Kathleen O'Neal Gear
read by Jim Zeiger
4 cassettes
The world has become unsafe for the People of the Earth, as their tribe is repeatedly attacked by unfriendly clans. The Wolf Bundle plays an important role as White Ash and her husband, Still Water, journey toward an encounter with a Soul Flier. Sequel to *People of the Fire (RC 41114)*. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. For senior high and older readers. 1992.

Heaven's Price RC 41698
by Sandra Brown
read by Margaret Strom
2 cassettes
Dancer Blair Simpson has come to a small town on Long Island for six months to recuperate from severe knee damage. Her friend Pam has acquired a garage apartment for Blair behind the home of Sean Garrett, a local contractor. Blair first meets Sean when she mistakes him for the masseur she requested. Blair's life has always centered around dancing, but Sean makes her question her future. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1983.

Finding Moon RC 41700
by Tony Hillerman
read by Laura Giannarelli
2 cassettes
In 1975 Moon Mathias, a low-key Colorado newspaperman, learns that when his pilot brother crashed just prior to the fall of Vietnam, he left behind a Eurasian infant daughter. Moon goes to Manila to get her, but she has never arrived. His quest for her safety leads to the treacherous Cambodian killing fields. The trust of others gives him strength to look at his own life and unspoken regrets. Violence and some strong language. 1995.

Moondust and Madness RC 41701
by Janelle Taylor
read by Ilona Dulaski
4 cassettes
Young Texas heiress and medical researcher Jana Greyson is kidnapped by aliens. Commander Varian Saar is from a galaxy where many females have been made sterile by a plague. His and other starships abduct alien women for mates. Varian plans to use Jana in a plot against his nemesis, but he is very attracted to her himself. Prequel to *Stardust and Shadows (RC 41702)*. Some strong language, some violence, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1986.

Midnight Temptation RC 41706
by Nancy Gideon
read by Cecelia Riddett
2 cassettes
In the companion novel to *Midnight*

Kiss (in production), seventeen-year-old Nicole is confused by her heightened senses and a growing unusual hunger. Then she sees her beloved father feeding on the blood of a peasant girl and runs off to Paris in horror. There she falls in with a band of young artists who are cared for by attractive Marchand. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

Drums RC 41710
by James Boyd
read by Robert Sams
3 cassettes (Reissue)
Young Johnny Fraser longs to see the world beyond his Carolina home, but must continue his studies. Then as turmoil with King George III mounts, Johnny's father, who saw his fellow Scots slaughtered at Culloden, sends him to England as an honorable escape from the coming conflict. It is the courtly England of Johnny's dreams, but adventure leads him to join the crew of Paul Jones's marauding frigates. For junior and senior high and older readers. 1925.

Spirit of Love RC 41727
by Emma Goldrick
read by Cecelia Riddett
1 cassette
At twenty-seven, nurse Emily Sturtevant has been a widow for four years. She deeply misses Rob, her husband, and converses regularly with his spirit. When injured Brad Colson moves in next door, Rob's ghost tells Emily to help her new neighbor and to try to find happiness. But the gruff, wealthy Colson is not an easy man to deal with. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1992.

The Messiah Stones RC 41737
by Irving Benig
read by Jamie Horton
2 cassettes
Until he receives his inheritance—three letters in a cigar box—John McGowan is a teacher at a small Pennsylvania college. But the letters change his life forever. McGowan learns why his father deserted the family years ago. More importantly, the message in the letters sends McGowan and his wife, Sarah, on a spiritual journey of discovery. Bestseller 1995.

Peter RC 41745
by Kate Walker
read by Erik Sandvold
1 cassette
At fifteen, Peter lives with his mother and older brother, Vince, and spends most of his time riding his dirt bike and taking photos. When he meets Vince's friend David, Peter becomes confused. David is gay, but Peter likes him. And Peter isn't attracted to Gloria who keeps flirting with him. Now the other dirt-bike riders are calling him gay. Strong language. For junior and senior high and older readers. 1991.

Mucho Mojo RC 41746
by Joe R. Lansdale
read by David Hartley-Margolin
2 cassettes
Hap Collins is glad to leave the hot rose fields of Texas to help his friend Leonard. Leonard's estranged uncle has died, leaving his gay nephew a rundown house, $100,000, and an odd assortment of "clues." Working on the house, the two men find a small skeleton and evidence of child pornography. Now Leonard wants to prove that Uncle Chester was trying to solve a

crime, not committing one. Strong language, violence, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

Pomp and Circumstance RC 41758
by Fred Mustard Stewart
read by David Hartley-Margolin
3 cassettes
As ten-year-olds, Adam Thorne and Lizzie Desmond vow their love for each other. In 1856, at eighteen, they consummate that love. Shortly thereafter, Lizzie finds she is with child, and Adam unexpectedly becomes heir to a family secret that sends him to India. Before the two can finally be united, they will have become involved in significant historical events in England, India, and the United States. Violence, strong language, and descriptions of sex. 1991.

A Time to Dance RC 41765
by Walter Sullivan
read by Jamie Horton
2 cassettes
When he finds his wife, Bunnie, unconscious on the floor, eighty-nine-year-old Max is not sure what to do, so he falls asleep. By the time Bunnie has her second stroke, her great-nephew Julien has moved in. The problems Bunnie and Max face in their old age are interspersed among their fuzzy memories of infidelities and amid scenes from Julien's new romance with Bunnie's hospital nurse, Shannon. Some strong language. 1995.

Bone Dance RC 41768
by Emma Bull
read by David Hartley-Margolin
3 cassettes
In a post-nuclear-holocaust America, teenager Sparrow makes a precarious living by dealing in preholocaust movies and CDs. Although survival in this shattered and pitiless future is difficult, Sparrow has the help of new friends. But then he gets caught up in the horrors of a struggle between two Horsemen, the last survivors of a group of powerful telepaths. Violence and strong language. For senior high and older readers. 1991.

Happy Are the Poor in Spirit RC 41769
by Andrew M. Greeley
read by Bob Askey
2 cassettes
Bishop Ryan is trying to work on a computer program of his own design when he is confronted by Candi Cain, daughter of Bart, a commodities tycoon. Candi insists that a ghost is trying to kill her dad, and "It's like, totally gross." The ghost is supposed to be that of Mary Anne Haggerty, her father's date for his senior prom, who disappeared the day after the prom in 1947. Some strong language. 1994.

The Case of the Constant Caller: A Father Dowling Mystery for Young Adults RC 41796
by Ralph McInerny
read by Christopher Hurt
1 cassette
Janet Hospers has a summer job working with senior citizens at Father Dowling's community center. Gerry Krause is working there also. Although Gerry's uncle was the arresting officer who sent Janet's father to prison, the two teenagers hit it off and begin investigating a possible connection between an ex-con and odd happenings at the parish. For junior and senior high readers. 1995.

The Seventh Enemy: A Brady Coyne Mystery RC 41800
by William G. Tapply
read by John Stratton
2 cassettes
Walt Kinnick, a well-known outdoorsman with a television show, is in Boston to testify against an assault weapons ban. After spending the evening with his attorney, Brady Coyne, Kinnick surprises Coyne and angers a gun lobby group by changing his stand on the ban. Kinnick is threatened and then shot, and Coyne learns his own name is seventh on the gun group's enemy list. Strong language and violence. 1995.

***Sleeping at the Starlight Motel* and Other Adventures on the Way Back Home RC 41913**
by Bailey White
read by Catherine Byers
1 cassette
Collection of thirty-seven short stories depicting places, experiences, and acquaintances in White's life. One story tells of a family member's desire to "reunite" the Chippendale chairs that are now scattered throughout the family. Another portrays a woman who feels she has the right to pick from the town's rose garden because she was once the rose queen. Bestseller 1995.

White Rabbit RC 41915
by Kate Phillips
read by Suzanne Toren
2 cassettes
Unexplained flashes of white light flit through Ruth's day, as do images from her eighty-eight years. Although she has always tried to keep on top of things by doing what she should, she is disappointed with the outcome of her life. But she does not give up and relapse into her memories. Her spunk and routines keep her going. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1996.

The Autobiography of My Mother RC 41920
by Jamaica Kincaid
read by Gail Nelson
2 cassettes
Xuela, born in Dominica to a Carib mother (who dies giving birth) and a Scottish-African father, is placed in the care of her father's laundress. Xuela finds her way in the world, but despite a series of relationships with older men, she remains unloved and alone. Yet Xuela endures, through her tormented relationship with her aloof father and through her indifferent marriage to an English doctor. Some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1996.

Books for Children

Books listed in this issue of *Talking Book Topics* were recently sent to cooperating libraries. The complete collection contains books by many authors on fiction and nonfiction subjects, including animals, geography, nature, mystery, sports, and others. Contact your cooperating library to learn more about the wide range of books available in the collection.

In this listing, cassette books, labeled with the code RC, play at 15/16 ips. To order books, fill out the order form and send it to your cooperating library.

Cassettes Nonfiction

Valentine's Day: Stories and Poems RC 39902
edited by Caroline Feller Bauer
read by Nancy Kronenfeld
1 cassette
This collection of stories and poems in celebration of love and Valentine's Day includes selections by Karla Kuskin, Ted Joans, Cynthia Rylant, Jane Yolen, Langston Hughes, and Gordon Parks. The book also includes Valentine's Day activities, a list of recommended books, and "I love you" in twelve different languages. For grades 2-4 and older readers. 1993.

Living with Learning Disabilities: A Guide for Students RC 39925
by David E. Hall
read by Marilyn Gleason
1 cassette
The author, a pediatrician, describes a learning disability as a "wiring problem in the brain that makes learning certain skills very difficult." Many people with learning disabilities have had successful careers, including author Hans Christian Andersen, inventor Thomas Edison, and actor Tom Cruise. Dr. Hall describes various learning disabilities and offers advice on how to cope. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 1993.

Cy Young Award Winners RC 39932
by Ken Young
read by Jeff Halberstadt
1 cassette
A sportswriter describes how ten baseball players made it into the big leagues and won the Cy Young Award, the most coveted honor a pitcher can receive. Cameo portraits sketch biographical and statistical details about Whitey Ford, Sandy Koufax, Denny McLain, Tom Seaver, Bob Gibson, Jim Palmer, Steve Carlton, Fernando Valenzuela, Dwight Gooden, and Roger Clemens and reveal the motivations that led to success. For grades 5-8. 1994.

The Hidden Children RC 40001
by Howard Greenfeld
read by Barbara Rappaport
1 cassette
Tells the stories of Jewish children who survived the Holocaust by hiding: sometimes passing as Gentiles in orphanages and private homes; sometimes literally hiding—in barns, attics, and even the woods. These interviews with survivors convey the loss of childhood and the profound emotional and psychological toll on those who were "lucky" despite their suffering. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 1993.

Louis Braille: The Boy Who Invented Books for the Blind RC 41325
by Margaret Davidson
read by Brian Conn
1 cassette
Louis Braille was blinded in an accident at the age of three in the early 1800s.

His desire to learn earned him a place at the Royal Institute for Blind Youth in Paris. Young Louis's excitement at being in the school was dampened by the tedious method of using raised letters to read. Louis developed the dot alphabet now called braille. For grades 3-6. 1971.

Dare to Dream: Coretta Scott King and the Civil Rights Movement RC 41326
by Angela Shelf Medearis
read by Carole Jordan Stewart
1 cassette
Medearis uses Mrs. King's autobiography as the main source for this account. She discusses Mrs. King's early childhood, school days, and ambition to be an opera singer; her marriage to Martin Luther King Jr.; their work in the civil rights movement; and finally Mrs. King's continuation of that work after Dr. King was killed. For grades 3-6. 1994.

The Road Back: Living with a Physical Disability RC 41327
by Harriet Sirof
read by Patricia McDermott
1 cassette
The author picks three young people to show how life can "change in a minute." Steven was skateboarding when a fall left him partially paralyzed. Trisha was sleeping in the backseat of a car when it was hit by a truck. Christopher was applying for colleges when blurry vision led to a diagnosis of multiple sclerosis. Physical and emotional adjustments each encountered are described. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 1993.

Two Tickets to Freedom: The True Story of Ellen and William Craft, Fugitive Slaves RC 41328
by Florence B. Freedman
read by Randy Atcher
1 cassette (Reissue)
On December 21, 1848, William Craft and his wife, Ellen, make a daring attempt to escape from slavery in Georgia. Although both have been treated better than most slaves, they do not want to have children in slavery. Ellen disguises herself as a Southern planter, and William acts as "his" manservant. This account of their escape is based on William Craft's own narrative. For grades 4-7. 1971.

Anno's Magic Seeds RC 41329
by Mitsumasa Anno
read by John Polk
1 cassette
A wizard gives young Jack two large golden seeds. He tells Jack to bake one seed to eat, and he won't be hungry all year. If Jack plants the other seed, it will grow into a plant and give him two more seeds to start over with next year. What happens when Jack plants both seeds one year? For grades K-3. 1992.

Mom Can't See Me RC 41379
by Sally Hobart Alexander
read by Madelyn Buzzard
1 cassette
Nine-year-old Leslie Alexander provides a candid, insightful, and upbeat account of life with her mother, who is blind. "Mom does some things differently, but mostly she's like other mothers." Leslie talks about the similarities—her mom cooks; enjoys dancing, reading, movies, and sports; and works as a writer—and differences: she uses a guide dog, does not drive, and depends

a lot on sound. For grades K-3. 1990.

I Love Guinea Pigs RC 41435
by Dick King-Smith
read by Christopher Hurt
1 cassette
Guinea pigs are "piggy-looking" rodents that make good pets. Learn how they got their name, how to take care of them, and the different sounds they make when they talk. For preschool-grade 2. 1994.

Sod Houses on the Great Plains RC 41493
by Glen Rounds
read by Bob Askey
1 cassette
The author, who was born in a sod house in South Dakota, explains how the settlers on the Great Plains built houses of sod (earth) because they did not have trees to build log cabins. For grades K-3. 1995.

Marie Curie RC 41521
by Leonard Everett Fisher
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
Chronicles the life of Marie Sklodowska Curie, who was born in Warsaw, Poland, in 1867. Best remembered for her discovery of radium, Curie was the first woman to be accepted at the Sorbonne in Paris, as well as the first person to receive two Nobel Prizes, each for a different science. For grades 2-4 and older readers. 1994.

The Respiratory System RC 41595
by Alvin Silverstein and others
read by Patricia McDermott
1 cassette (Reissue)
Discusses the structure and functions of the respiratory system, including the chemical and physical processes involved in breathing. Covers aids to breathing, as well as hazards that exist around us. Also explores the respiration of insects, fish, plants, and skin-breathing organisms. Contains a glossary of related terms. For grades 5-8. 1994.

A Year on Monhegan Island RC 41682
by Julia Dean
read by Barbara Caruso
1 cassette
Dean describes a year in the life of the residents of an island located ten miles out to sea from the coast of Maine. In the summer, many people visit Monhegan, but during the winter fewer than one hundred people remain there. The author discusses the natives, lobster trapping, the island's isolation, and its one-room schoolhouse and the many activites it is used for. For grades 4-7 and older readers. 1995.

The Story of Ruby Bridges RC 41709
by Robert Coles
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
In 1960, when Ruby Bridges was six, a judge ordered that she be allowed to attend an all-white school in New Orleans. Prayer helped her stay calm when angry crowds followed her to school and when all her classmates were kept home by their parents. For grades K-3. 1995.

Mighty Tree RC 41715
by Dick Gackenbach
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
A long time ago, the wind blew three tiny seeds to earth, and three trees began to grow. The author explains what happens to the first two trees, and why the third tree becomes the most important one of all. For grades K-3. 1992.

Woody Guthrie: American Balladeer
RC 41721
by Janelle Yates
read by Margaret Strom
1 cassette
The life of folksinger Woody Guthrie mirrored the West in the 1930s. He moved out of the dust bowl, raised a family on a musician's earnings during the depression, and supported the rights of workers. Lyrics of his songs, which reflect the hard life of the era and the courage of the people, are woven into this biography. His best-known ballad is "This Land Is Your Land." For grades 6-9. 1995.

Cassettes Fiction

Second Wind: Golden Filly, Book 8
RC 38836
by Lauraine Snelling
read by Robin Miles
1 cassette
Tricia Evanston has made it through the summer following her father's death. At times she felt she would never race again, but a new season is starting, and Tricia is ready to race. Then just before the season opens at Portland Meadows, Tricia hears rumors about mismanagement at the track. Is there anything she can do about it? Sequel to *Out of the Mist (RC 38835)*. For grades 6-9. 1994.

Close Call: Golden Filly, Book 9
RC 38837
by Lauraine Snelling
read by Robin Miles
1 cassette
Tricia Evanston once more finds herself in the winner's circle at Portland Meadows. She has also been asked to act as spokesperson for the Chrysler Corporation. But Tricia faces threats from an unknown source. As she continues to race and film commercials, Tricia must rely on her faith and the police to keep her safe. Sequel to *Second Wind (RC 38836)*. For grades 6-9. 1994.

Enter Three Witches RC 38998
by Kate Gilmore
read by June Carter
2 cassettes
Uncomfortable about his home life (his mother and grandmother are witches, and a voodoo priestess occupies their garden apartment), Bren has been a loner, finding solace in Central Park and with his dog Shadow. Now his one friend, Eli, has convinced him to help with the lighting for the school production of *Macbeth*. When Bren meets Erika, First Witch and the girl of his dreams, his life changes forever. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 1990.

The Four Gallant Sisters RC 39827
by Eric A. Kimmel
read by Barbara Rappaport
1 cassette
Upon the death of their ailing mother, four sisters disguise themselves as men in order to learn trades and become independent. The first sister becomes a tailor, the second a hunter, the third a finger artist, and the fourth a stargazer. Employed by the new king, they gallantly rescue his bride-to-be and her four brothers—gaining respect and surprising rewards in the process. For grades K-3 and older readers. 1992.

Desperate Pursuit RC 39829
by Gloria D. Miklowitz
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
Nicole likes Michael and she feels lucky to be dating such a handsome and gener-

ous boy, but she does not love Michael. And his intensity and possessiveness become overbearing when she meets and attempts to date Shane. Michael, determined to keep her as his girlfriend, at first bribes her with gifts. When that fails, his obsession deepens and becomes a near-fatal attraction. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 1992.

My Rotten Redheaded Older Brother RC 39831
by Patricia Polacco
read by Barbara Rappaport
1 cassette
Patricia lives with her mother, her grandparents, and her big brother, Richard, on a Michigan farm. Richard has orange hair, is covered with freckles, and wears glasses. And he makes Patricia sick when he says he can beat her at just about anything, and does. One night at bedtime, Bubbie, her grandmother, tells Patricia how to wish on a falling star. She soon learns that it pays to be careful what you wish for! For grades K-3. 1994.

Catherine, Called Birdy RC 39832
by Karen Cushman
read by Kimberly Schraf
1 cassette
Life in the last decade of the thirteenth century as seen through the eyes of a teenage girl. Birdy, the daughter of a minor lord and lady in Lincolnshire, has been ordered by her older brother, a monk, to keep a journal for one year. She reluctantly agrees. In it Birdy portrays the tedium of life in the Middle Ages, the unending chores, the lowly role of women, and the selling of a girl in marriage to the highest bidder. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 1994.

Echoes of the White Giraffe RC 39909
by Sook Nyul Choi
read by Nancy Kronenfeld
1 cassette
In this sequel to *Year of Impossible Goodbyes (RC 36945)*, Sookan, now fifteen, and her family are again separated—this time by the Korean War. Fleeing bombs, Sookan, her young brother, and their mother arrive safely in Pusan, but the whereabouts of the men is unknown. Living with other refugees, the family tries to keep up hope. Through the church choir, Sookan meets Junho, with whom she develops a daring friendship. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 1993.

Lydia Jane and the Baby-Sitter Exchange RC 39910
by Natalie Honeycutt
read by Margaret Anne Walterhouse
1 cassette
Precocious eight-year-old Lydia Jane Bly finds her new after-school baby-sitter, Mrs. Humphrey, and her plethora of rules to be absolutely stifling. Setting out to remedy the situation, she devises a series of child care alternatives. Finally, her grandmother advises Lydia's parents to hire a bright high school student who can channel their daughter's scientific curiosity. For grades 3-6. 1993.

Nothing but Trouble, Trouble, Trouble RC 39915
by Patricia Hermes
read by June Carter
1 cassette
Fifth-grader Alex, who seems to attract trouble, is determined to prove to her parents that she is old enough to babysit so she can earn the money to have her ears pierced. She also must prove she is "responsible," through a class project

requiring her to care for a pet for the weekend. Although her sister is allergic to pets, Alex tries to obtain a classmate's cats—and has nothing but trouble. For grades 4-7 and older readers. 1994.

The Ninth Issue RC 39922
by Dallin Malmgren
read by June Carter
1 cassette
Blue Hocker is angry when he must transfer in his senior year from his small Missouri high school to a large Texas school. Failing to make the football team, he winds up in a journalism course that puts him on the staff of the school newspaper. Mr. Choate, the advisor, advocates a free press, and the students cover controversial stories. The principal, however, sees Mr. Choate as a threat and refuses to rehire him. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 1989.

The Golly Sisters Go West RC 40049
by Betsy Byars
read by Susan McInerney
1 cassette
May-May and Rose Golly know their songs and dances and are all set to head west when their horse refuses to go. Once they learn the right words, they're off. But the two sisters still run into trouble because they get mad at each other over who starts the show and who will wear the blue dress. They get lost and sometimes they're afraid, but when they stop fussing, they have one adventure after another. For grades K-3. 1985.

Hooray for the Golly Sisters! RC 40050
by Betsy Byars
read by Susan McInerney
1 cassette
In this sequel to *The Golly Sisters Go West (RC 40049)*, May-May and Rose Golly have to get their horse and wagon across a big river so they can get to town to put on their traveling show. In other adventures, May-May makes the mistake of using pigs instead of rabbits in her magic hat act, Rose tries to sing and dance on a high wire, and the sisters also face a scary swamp. For preschool-grade 2. 1990.

The Golly Sisters Ride Again RC 40051
by Betsy Byars
read by Susan McInerney
1 cassette
In this sequel to *Hooray for the Golly Sisters! (RC 40050)*, May-May and Rose Golly continue their adventures with their traveling show. They learn that having a goat in the audience really does mean bad luck, they find a talking rock but disagree with it, they fight over who gets to play a princess, they go on a much-needed holiday, and they weather a thunderstorm. For grades K-3. 1994.

The In-Between Days RC 40053
by Eve Bunting
read by John Lescault
1 cassette
George has been lonely since his mother died after his brother James, now five, was born. The boys are close to their father, who runs a bike shop on the island. When recently divorced Caroline rents a bike for a day of cycling,the boys show her around. They like her a lot until their father shows that he likes her too. Then George plays a mean trick on Caroline that makes everyone miserable, himself most of all. For grades 3-6. 1994.

Tricia's Got T-R-O-U-B-L-E! The Twelve Candles Club, Book 4 RC 40739
by Elaine L. Schulte
read by Pam Ward
1 cassette
The club started by Tricia and her friends to earn money in *Becky's Brainstorm (RC 40271)* is very successful, but the rest of Tricia's life isn't going so well. Her father moved out two months ago and is seeing obnoxious Odette. When the club helps Odette's grandparents with a party, Odette accuses the girls of stealing paintings! Tricia prays to understand what her father sees in this woman. For grades 3-6. 1993.

The Last Safe Place on Earth RC 41153
by Richard Peck
read by Erik Sandvold
1 cassette
High school sophomore Todd Tobin considers his family home on Tranquility Lane in Walden Woods to be the last safe place on earth. It's made even more perfect when wonderful Laurel Kellerman becomes his sister Marnie's babysitter. Then trouble erupts among Todd's schoolmates and even spreads to the Tobin home. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 1995.

Steal Away Home RC 41158
by Lois Ruby
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
1 cassette
The Shannon family has just moved into an old house in Kansas, and twelve-year-old Dana is not too thrilled about stripping wallpaper until she discovers a skeleton on a cot in a boarded-up space behind the wall. There is also a small diary from which Dana learns about underground railroad activities in her historic house, which was once owned by a Quaker family. But what especially excites Dana is information about the person who died. For grades 3-6. 1994.

In Wintertime RC 41311
by Kim Howard
read by Janis Gray
1 cassette
A little girl is cozy in bed, listening to her grandmother's stories of growing up in a frozen land. The sun didn't rise all winter, so every day was dark and cold. But young grandmother still had fun going to the market and taking the train to visit her own grandparents with her mother and father. For grades K-3. 1994.

The Elephant at the Waldorf RC 41315
by Anne Miranda
read by Janis Gray
1 cassette
A young girl and her mother are walking in front of the Waldorf Astoria one summer night, when they spot an elephant on a big truck. Alas, it seems that no one is able to get the elephant to leave the truck and go into the Waldorf Astoria to entertain the guests. What is to be done? For preschool-grade 2. 1995.

Someday a Tree RC 41317
by Eve Bunting
read by Janis Gray
1 cassette
Alice and her mother like to spend time under the huge old tree on their property. Alice's parents were picnicking in the shade of this same tree when they decided to buy the land, and later they christened Alice there. But now Alice notices that something seems very wrong with the tree. For grades K-3. 1993.

Whispering Brook Farm RC 41336
by Carrie Bender
read by Kerry Cundiff
1 cassette
Nancy Petersheim, nine, lives with her parents, grandparents, brothers, and sisters on a farm in Amish country. Nancy loves every bit of Whispering Brook Farm, and she hopes her family will always live there. Nancy faces the death of a family member and the joy of a wedding. Then her father announces he might sell the farm! For grades 4-7. 1995.

Tristan and Iseult RC 41339
by Rosemary Sutcliff
read by Madelyn Buzzard
1 cassette (Reissue)
A retelling of the ancient Celtic tale about the tragic love affair of a warrior and the red-haired princess of Ireland. Violence. For grades 6-9. 1971.

Imagine Me on a Sit-Ski! RC 41341
by George Moran
read by John Polk
1 cassette
Billy uses a wheelchair and talks with a wordboard because he has cerebral palsy. He is both excited and scared when he learns that everyone in his class is going to be taught to ski. Some will use walkers or crutches fitted with little skis, but Billy gets to use a sit-ski! For grades 2-4. 1995.

Land of Hope: Ellis Island, Book 1 RC 41343
by Joan Lowery Nixon
read by Madelyn Buzzard
1 cassette
1902. Rebekah Levinsky, fourteen, and her family leave their home in a Russian *shtetl* and begin the arduous journey to America. On the ship, Rebekah meets Kristin Swensen from Sweden and Rose Carney from Ireland. The girls become close friends but must separate when they reach New York. Rebekah and her family discover they have to work long days in a sweatshop to survive. Prequel to *Land of Promise (RC 41344)*. For grades 5-8. 1992.

Land of Promise: Ellis Island, Book 2 RC 41344
by Joan Lowery Nixon
read by Madelyn Buzzard
1 cassette
In this sequel to *Land of Hope (RC 41343)*, Irish immigrant Rose Carney is abandoned by her uncle and must travel to Chicago with Kristin Swensen's family. When she reaches Chicago, Rose finds a job as a shop girl and takes responsibility for her father's and brother's finances in order to save money for the rest of their family to come to America. For grades 5-8. 1992.

Land of Dreams: Ellis Island, Book 3 RC 41345
by Joan Lowery Nixon
read by Madelyn Buzzard
1 cassette
It is 1902 when teenaged Kristin Swenson and her parents arrive at their Minnesota farm. Strong-willed Kristin has trouble understanding why her family want to retain the old customs they had in Sweden instead of adapting to life in America. But eventually they all begin to compromise and Kristin starts attending school and fitting in with American ways. Sequel to *Land of Promise (RC 41344)*. For grades 5-8. 1994.

Some of the Kinder Planets RC 41359
by Tim Wynne-Jones
read by Gary Tipton
1 cassette
Collection of nine short stories takes the reader into an alternate universe of the mind. In "The Night of the Pomegranate," Harriet spends too much time outside looking at Mars instead of working on her solar system project. "The Hope Bakery" tells the tale of Sloane and his younger brother, Todd, and their strange trips into the woods. For grades 3-6. 1993.

Chickens! Chickens! RC 41363
by Barbara Ann Porte
read by Madelyn Buzzard
1 cassette
A man who lives on a chicken farm loves to paint pictures. But all he paints are chickens, lots and lots of chickens. His neighbors don't want his paintings because they are tired of chickens. When the man moves to the city, he falls in love with a woman who figures out what to do with all his chicken paintings. For preschool-grade 2. 1995.

Loop the Loop RC 41364
by Barbara Dugan
read by Janis Gray
1 cassette
Anne is sitting in her front yard talking to her doll Eleanor, when she hears someone say, "That's good advice." Anne looks up to see Mrs. Simpson in her wheelchair. Mrs. Simpson has a yo-yo that she is spinning up and down. Soon Anne and Mrs. Simpson are meeting every day. Then Mrs. Simpson falls and breaks her hip and has to go to the hospital. For grades K-3. 1992.

The Barn RC 41373
by Avi
read by Gary Tipton
1 cassette
Oregon Territory, 1855. Because Ben is the smartest one in his family, he is attending boarding school. But his mother died last year and his father has had a stroke. So Ben's sister, Nettie, has come to bring him home. It is up to Ben to care for their paralyzed father while Nettie and their brother, Harrison, try to run the farm and build the barn their father always wanted. For grades 4-7. 1994.

The Mud Family RC 41380
by Betsy James
read by Carole Jordan Stewart
1 cassette
Sosi's Anasazi family is worried because it has not rained for a long time. They are cross with Sosi, so she retreats to a dwindling pool where she makes a family of mud people. In this family, the daughter is the favorite and gets a lot of attention. For grades K-3. 1994.

Like Butter on Pancakes RC 41381
by Jonathan London
read by Madelyn Buzzard
1 cassette
The sun ticks, the birds talk, and the early morning light melts like butter on pancakes, spreading yellow and warm across your bed. The day has begun. And your day is so busy that before long the night is creeping in, and the sun sleeps, and the birds do, too. For preschool-grade 2. 1995.

Emily and Alice RC 41390
by Joyce Champion
read by Kerry Cundiff
1 cassette
Emily looks out the window and sees a

new family moving in. Best of all, they have a little girl with long black hair and pink sandals! But as Emily runs over to meet her, she begins to worry. What if the new girl doesn't want a friend with red hair and striped knee socks? Prequel to *Emily and Alice Again (RC 41391)*. For preschool-grade 2. 1993.

Two Ways to Count to Ten: A Liberian Folktale RC 41392
retold by Ruby Dee
read by Bruce Huntey
1 cassette
Long ago the leopard was the king of the jungle. When it came time for him to pick the animal who would become king after him and marry his daughter, the leopard held a contest. The animal who could throw a spear into the air and count to ten before it fell would be the next king. For grades K-3. 1988.

Henry and Mudge and the Careful Cousin RC 41395
by Cynthia Rylant
read by Mitzi Friedlander
1 cassette
Henry and his big dog, Mudge, are waiting for Henry's cousin Annie to come spend the night. But when she gets out of the car with her frilly dress and her shiny shoes, Henry knows he's in trouble. He and Mudge are not the clean and tidy type. For grades K-3. 1994.

Homer and the House Next Door RC 41397
by Robin Pulver
read by Bruce Huntey
1 cassette
Homer the dog is very depressed when his next-door neighbor, Ms. Gallivant, moves away. He misses her biscuits, scratches, and tennis balls. But things get worse when Homer's master, Hank, decides it's time they moved too! For preschool-grade 2. 1994.

Tonight, by Sea RC 41398
by Frances Temple
read by Carole Jordan Stewart
1 cassette
Paulie lives with her grandmother and uncle in the tiny community of Belle Fleuve on the island of Haiti. Her parents have already gone across the sea to seek a better life. And now Paulie's uncle is secretly building a boat so they too can leave. The boat, *Chache Lavi (Seek Life)*, is almost finished when tragedy strikes. For grades 5-8. 1995.

Moominland Midwinter RC 41421
by Tove Jansson
read by Ed Blake
1 cassette
In November the Moomin family had a good meal of pine needles and then they all retired to their beds to sleep until April. But in January, Moomintroll is awakened by a streak of moonlight, and he just cannot go back to sleep. After wandering around his dark house, he decides to venture outside to see what the winter world is like. For grades 4-7. 1958.

Ozzie on His Own RC 41428
by Johanna Hurwitz
read by Nona Pipes
1 cassette
In this sequel to *Roz and Ozzie (RC 38152)*, ten-year-old Roz is in England for the summer with her parents, and her eight-year-old uncle, Ozzie, misses her. He cheers up when his neighbor lets him turn her old chicken coop into a clubhouse. He even meets some new neighborhood children who agree to join his club. But when Ozzie's fifty-six-year-old father has a heart at-

tack, Ozzie feels all alone again. For grades 3-6. 1995.

In My Mother's Garden RC 41442
by Melissa Madenski
read by Nona Pipes
1 cassette
It is the first day of spring, and Rosie is very excited. Her mother's birthday will soon be here, and Rosie has a special surprise planned. Because her mother loves flowers, especially pansies, Rosie is going to make her a pansy garden. But can Rosie keep the secret until her mother's birthday? For grades K-3. 1995.

A Bowl of Mischief RC 41467
by Ellen Kindt McKenzie
read by Anne Hancock
1 cassette
One day Phufadia, a holy man, is walking in the desert when he finds an abandoned boy. Phufadia takes the boy home with him, names him Ranji, and begins to train him to be wise. But Ranji is an imp, a scamp, and full of mischief and does not pay attention to Phufadia's teachings. Then, when Phufadia dies, Ranji wishes he had listened. For grades 5-8. 1992.

The Rooster Who Lost His Crow RC 41484
by Wendy Cheyette Lewison
read by Bob Askey
1 cassette
Every morning, just as the orange sun begins to peek over the chicken coop, Rooster hurries out into the farmyard to awaken the farmer with his "cock-a-doodle-doo!" But one morning, Rooster is frightened by a bee and loses his "cock-a-doodle-doo!" Now who will wake up the farmer? For preschool-grade 2. 1995.

The Dark Stairs: A Herculeah Jones Mystery RC 41485
by Betsy Byars
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
1 cassette
Herculeah's private-investigator mother named her after the hero of the movie *Hercules vs. the Moloch*. When Herculeah sees her mother's latest client, the feisty teenager realizes she's met her own hulking, scary Moloch. On top of that, her policeman father's latest case involving a mysterious house makes Herculeah's hair frizz, a sure sign that she's in danger. For grades 5-8. 1994.

Mr. Green Peas RC 41503
by Judith Caseley
read by Bob Askey
1 cassette
Norman Slope likes going to nursery school, but he has a problem. He is the only one in his class who does not have a pet. Norman tries to convince his parents to get him a pet, but cats and dogs make his father allergic, gerbils and hamsters look too much like rats to his mother, and a bird would make too much noise. Then one day Norman's father comes home with a surprise for Norman. For grades K-3. 1995.

Hang Tough, Paul Mather RC 41504
by Alfred Slote
read by Erik Sandvold
1 cassette (Reissue)
Paul Mather is a born pitcher until leukemia strikes him, forcing him to fight both his parents' protectiveness and the complications of the disease. For grades 3-6. 1973.

A Shocker on Shock Street RC 41512
by R.L. Stine
read by Ilona Dulaski
1 cassette
After Erin and Marty watch the sixth Shocker on Shock Street movie, they visit Erin's father in his office. Mr. Wright, who designs theme parks, has great news. He's developed a tour of the Shocker studio and Erin and Marty get to be the first children to try it out. As they revisit scenes from Shocker movies, Erin and Marty begin to have trouble telling what's fake and what's horribly real. For grades 4-7. 1995.

Pepi and the Secret Names RC 41520
by Jill Paton Walsh
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
Pepi and his mother and father live on the banks of the Nile River where Prince Dhutmose has ordered a tomb to be built for the time when he will live in the Land of the Dead. Pepi's father is working on the paintings for the tomb, and each day he needs a different animal. It is Pepi who befriends the animals by guessing their secret name, and he gets them to pose for his father. For grades 2-4. 1994.

How Turtle's Back Was Cracked: A Traditional Cherokee Tale RC 41522
retold by Gayle Ross
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
Back in the days when all animals and people spoke the same language, Turtle and Possum were best friends because neither of them liked to go anywhere in a big hurry and both loved persimmons. One day while sharing their favorite fruit, something happens that changes Turtle forever. For preschool-grade 2. 1995.

The Case of the Fantastic Footprints RC 41531
by E.W. Hildick
read by Terence Aselford
1 cassette
The McGurk Organization of young private detectives takes on a case of proving a classmate's cat is not responsible for the footprints in a neighbor's new driveway. This inspires McGurk to create a footprint-testing laboratory—just in time to interpret some pretty puzzling footprints that begin showing up around town. For grades 3-6. 1994.

The Reason for Janey RC 41544
by Nancy Hope Wilson
read by Michele Schaeffer
1 cassette
Philura Higley Mason (Philly) is very scientific minded but is having trouble figuring out relationships. For example, why does Janey, a retarded woman who just moved in with Philly's family, fit in so well? And why shouldn't Janey track down her natural father? And why does Philly get hives after visiting her own divorced father? Finding the answers sidetracks Philly's science fair project. For grades 3-6. 1994.

So Much RC 41545
by Trish Cooke
read by Bob Moore
1 cassette
Mom and baby aren't doing anything, nothing really, and then the doorbell rings. It's Auntie Bibba, and she wants to squeeze the baby SO MUCH! Soon the doorbell rings again. And again. Pretty soon there is a whole house full of people who want to love the baby SO MUCH! For preschool-grade 2. 1994.

Thunderhoof RC 41546
by Syd Hoff
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
The story of how Thunderhoof, the last great horse to run wild out West, lets himself be tamed. For preschool-grade 2 to share with older readers. 1971.

You Can't Eat Your Chicken Pox, Amber Brown RC 41589
by Paula Danziger
read by Madelyn Buzzard
1 cassette
School is over for the summer, and Amber Brown has her "passport" to the fourth grade. She also has a real passport because she is going to London with her Aunt Pam, and then she is going to Paris to visit her father. But when Amber arrives in London, she discovers she has the chicken pox and all of her plans begin to change. Sequel to *Amber Brown Is Not a Crayon (RC 40386)*. For grades 2-4. 1995.

More Rootabagas: Stories RC 41593
by Carl Sandburg
read by Gary Tipton
1 cassette
As noted in the foreword, Sandburg, searching for bedtime stories for his three daughters, lamented the lack of fairy tales native to the United States. So, the famous poet wrote his own, which he described as "tales with American fooling in them." Indeed, there is "fooling" and whimsy aplenty in this collection of ten previously unpublished stories. Companion to *Rootabaga Stories (RC 25522)*. For grades 4-7 and older readers. 1993.

The Monkey and the Crocodile: A Jataka Tale from India RC 41594
by Paul Galdone
read by Andy Chappell
1 cassette
In the jungle on the banks of the river is a mango tree where many monkeys live. And in the river are many crocodiles. There is one young crocodile who is always hungry, and he has decided to have a particular monkey for his next meal. What will the monkey do? For grades K-3. 1969.

A Wind in the Door RC 41596
by Madeleine L'Engle
read by Madelyn Buzzard
1 cassette (Reissue)
Evil in the form of the Echthroi is spreading throughout the galaxy, but Meg Murry is not involved in the struggle until the Echthroi invade her younger brother. Sequel to *A Wrinkle in Time (RC 9768)*. For grades 6-9. 1973.

Good Night, Stella RC 41603
by Kate McMullan
read by Janis Gray
1 cassette
Stella's father puts her to bed, but she can't sleep. She keeps calling to him with worries about vampire bats, eyeballs falling out, and not being able to stop swallowing. Finally her father tells her he is too tired to wait up for Stella's mother to come home from the movies, so wide-awake Stella offers to take his place. For preschool-grade 2. 1994.

D.W. the Picky Eater RC 41641
by Marc Brown
read by Suzanne Toren
1 cassette
Arthur the aardvark's little sister, D.W., is becoming quite a picky eater. She

won't eat pickles, tomatoes, eggplant, mushrooms, liver, spinach, and a lot of other foods. She is so picky she can't go to restaurants with her family anymore. But then D.W. realizes she might be missing out on something. For grades K-3. 1995.

Down in the Piney Woods RC 41647
by Ethel Footman Smothers
read by Connie Winston
1 cassette
Ten-year-old Annie Rye; Brother, going on eight; and Elouise, the baby, live with their parents on a farm in Georgia where Daddy is a sharecropper. Annie Rye likes things the way they are, so she is not happy when she learns her three half-sisters are coming to live with them. Things get even worse when a white family also comes to live on the land. But life changes for everyone when Daddy rescues a white child. For grades 5-8. 1992.

Paddington Abroad RC 41653
by Michael Bond
read by Tom Martin
1 cassette (Reissue)
Paddington, the little bear who loves marmalade sandwiches, goes on vacation in France, where he gets himself into one funny scrape after another. For grades 3-6. 1972.

Arthur's Eyes RC 41678
by Marc Brown
read by John Horton
1 cassette
Arthur can't see the board at school and has trouble reading. He gets his eyes checked and learns he should wear glasses. Arthur likes the glasses he picks until he discovers what his friends think of them. For grades K-3. 1979.

Moriah's Pond RC 41679
by Ethel Footman Smothers
read by Connie Winston
1 cassette
In this sequel to *Down in the Piney Woods (RC 41647)*, Annie Rye, ten, and her older sisters, Brat and Maybaby, are staying with their great-grandmother, Moriah. While the girls do chores and play in the pond, Moriah keeps house for her landlord, Mr. Daniels. His granddaughter, Betty Jean, wants to make friends with the sisters even though Mr. Daniels doesn't like her mixing with black children. For grades 4-7. 1995.

The Velveteen Rabbit; or, How Toys Become Real RC 41681
by Margery Williams
read by Catherine Byers
1 cassette (Reissue)
The Velveteen Rabbit suffers more hardship than most other stuffed animals, and finally he is thrown into the trash. But the love of his owner and the help of the "Fairy of Old Toys" salvage the Velveteen Rabbit and transform him into a real, live rabbit with a soft, cotton tail. For grades 2-5. 1922.

The Moonglow Roll-O-Rama RC 41683
by Dav Pilkey
read by Gordon Gould
1 cassette
There is a wonderful place on an island beyond the lagoon, where beneath the blue moon lies the Moonglow Roll-O-Rama. And every night while people sleep snugly in their beds, the animals go to this spot where the magic of moonlight sweeps them skating up to the sky. For preschool-grade 2. 1995.

Barney Is Best RC 41684
by Nancy White Carlstrom
read by Christopher Hurt
1 cassette
When a little boy has to go to the hospital to get his tonsils out, his family tells him he can take a stuffed animal with him. They want him to take one of his newer toys, but he argues that his brother's old elephant Barney is the best. For preschool-grade 2. 1994.

Blabber Mouth RC 41704
by Morris Gleitzman
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
Rowena Batts's father is the most talked-about apple farmer in Australia because of his outlandish dress and behavior. Now that Rowena is trying to make friends at a new school, she wants to tell her father to change. Rowena was born with some parts missing from her throat, so she uses her hands to speak. But now she finds a more dramatic way to get her father's attention. Prequel to *Sticky Beak (RC 41705)*. For grades 3-6. 1992.

Sticky Beak RC 41705
by Morris Gleitzman
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
In this sequel to *Blabber Mouth (RC 41704)*, mute Rowena Batts realizes she's upset that her father and Ms. Dunning, her former teacher, are going to have a baby. When a schoolmate gives up a cockatoo named Sticky Beak just because he can't talk, Rowena adopts him. She knows what it feels like to be replaced by something that talks better. For grades 3-6. 1993.

Lyle at the Office RC 41711
by Bernard Waber
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
Lyle is a very funny crocodile, and everyone likes him. Because of this, people are always offering Lyle jobs. But he is happy living with the Primms and doesn't need to work. One day Lyle goes to visit the advertising agency where Mr. Primm is thinking up new ideas for selling Krispie Krunchie Krackles cereal. Lyle has a great time until Mr. Primm's boss wants to hire him. For preschool-grade 2. 1994.

The Rattlebang Picnic RC 41713
by Margaret Mahy
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
Mr. and Mrs. McTavish, their seven children, and Granny McTavish often go to the beach. They always take along some of Granny's pizza, which she bakes at a low temperature for one or two hours. The pizzas are too hard to eat, but they make great frisbees. Then one day the family goes to Mount Fogg and finds a more unusual use for Granny's pizza. For preschool-grade 2. 1994.

Melanie and the Modeling Mess RC 41733
by Elaine L. Schulte
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
1 cassette
Melanie Lin has just moved to California from New York where she frequently did some modeling. She has been watching the members of the Twelve Candles Club and longs to join them because they seem to have so much fun together. But when Melanie offers to get the girls a

modeling job, she may just be asking for trouble. For grades 3-6. 1994.

The Boy and the Cloth of Dreams RC 41735
by Jenny Koralek
read by Bob Askey
1 cassette
There once was a little boy whose grandmother made a quilt of dreams for him when he was born. She had told his mother that the quilt would keep the dark night things away. But now the quilt has two holes in it, and suddenly the little boy is having bad dreams. His grandmother can mend the quilt, but first he must find the courage to bring her the threads she needs for mending. For preschool-grade 2. 1994.

Terror at the Zoo RC 41750
by Peg Kehret
read by Erik Sandvold
1 cassette
When Ellen turns twelve, her grandparents give her and her eight-year-old brother, Corey, a joint birthday gift: a sleep-over at the zoo! The afternoon of the camp-out, Ellen's parents are late arriving home from a trip. Ellen and Corey leave a note and go to the zoo to wait for them. Their parents never arrive, but someone else is in the closed zoo with them. And he has a knife. Some strong language. For grades 4-6. 1992.

Grandaddy's Stars RC 41755
by Helen V. Griffith
read by Pam Ward
1 cassette
In the sequel to *Grandaddy and Janetta (RC 39079)*, Janetta is thrilled to learn that Grandaddy is coming to visit her and her mother. But then she begins to worry that he won't like Baltimore because it is not as exciting as his farm in Georgia. For preschool-grade 2. 1995.

Yolanda's Genius RC 41794
by Carol Fenner
read by Connie Winston
1 cassette
Big and black and a good student, fifth-grader Yolanda is often the target of jokes but always has a snappy answer. When a new friend admiringly calls her a genius, it dawns on Yolanda who the real genius is. Her little brother, Andrew, is having trouble learning to read, but he can play amazing sounds on his harmonica. To lift Andrew's spirits, Yolanda devises a way to introduce him to Chicago's music world. For grades 4-7. Newbery Honor book. 1995.

Good Driving, Amelia Bedelia RC 41801
by Herman Parish
read by Catherine Byers
1 cassette
On Amelia Bedelia's birthday, her employers, Mr. and Mrs. Rogers, give her the day off. She decides to go visit her cousin, so Mr. Rogers offers to let her use the couple's car. Since Amelia Bedelia hasn't driven in years, Mr. Rogers takes her out for a practice drive in the country. But Amelia Bedelia can't understand any of his directions. For grades K-3. 1995.

Africa Dream RC 41928
by Eloise Greenfield
read by Connie Winston
1 cassette
A young child tells the story of a dream. She goes all the way to Africa and visits the marketplace, sings a song with new-old friends, rides a donkey, dances to her uncles' drums, and is rocked back to sleep by her long-ago grandma with

Mama's face. For preschool-grade 2. 1977.

Bad Hare Day: Goosebumps RC 41951
by R.L. Stine
read by Terence Aselford
1 cassette
Tim Swanson wants to be a magician like his idol, Amaz-O, but his tricks are pretty lame, and his fierce, karate-kicking little sister, Ginny, keeps telling his classmates how they work. He wishes he could turn Ginny into a harmless rabbit and get some awesome new tricks. When Amaz-O holds a show, Tim's wishes begin to come true in a rather horrifying way. For grades 4-6. 1996.

Night of the Living Dummy III: Goosebumps RC 41952
by R.L. Stine
read by Ilona Dulaski
1 cassette
Trina and Dan O'Dell's father used to be a ventriloquist, but now he runs a camera shop and has stored his dummies in the attic. You have to be brave when you go up there because of all the eyes that never blink. One day Dad comes home with a new dummy he has found in the trash. Why did someone throw it away? Trina and Dan soon find out as strange things begin to happen in their house. For grades 4-7. 1996.

One Saturday Morning RC 41965
by Barbara Baker
read by Marcia Churchill
1 cassette
It's Saturday morning at the bear family's house. Waking up early, Mama is happy to have some time to herself. But when the others begin to stir, the day really begins. There's toast to make, a park to visit, and finally Papa's favorite lunch of spaghetti to prepare. For grades K-3. 1994.

Foreign Language Books

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Spanish

General H. Norman Schwarzkopf: Autobiografía RC 40862
por H. Norman Schwarzkopf
y Peter Petre
leído por Juan Ramirez
6 cassettes
El ejército fue el centro de la vida de Schwarzkopf hasta que se jubiló en 1991, a la edad de cincuenta y siete años. Narra sus años en West Point, sus dos turnos de servicio en Vietnam, sus problemas con el Pentágono y, para terminar, su comando de las tropas americanas, británicas y francesas durante la Guerra del Golfo. (Until his retirement in 1991 at age fifty-seven, the army was Schwarzkopf's life. He recounts his years at West Point; his two tours of duty in Vietnam; his problems with the Pentagon; and finally, his command of the American, British, and French troops during the Gulf War.) 1993.

Drácula RC 40864
por Bram Stoker
leído por Juan Ramirez
4 cassettes
Una historia de vampiros ambientada a finales del siglo XIX. Jonathan Harker, un abogado inglés, visita al conde

Drácula en su castillo de Transilvania para tramitar algunos negocios. No tarda en descubrir que Drácula no es el hombre normal que aparenta ser, sino un monstruo. Su horror se acentúa cuando Drácula se muda a Inglaterra. (A tale of vampires set in the late nineteenth century. Jonathan Harker, an English solicitor, visits Count Drácula in his Transylvania castle to transact some business and soon learns that Drácula is not the ordinary man he appears, but a monster. His horror increases when Drácula moves to England.) 1993.

Papillon RC 40865
por Henri Charrière
leído por Juan Ramirez
5 cassettes
Autobiografía de un hombre condenado a cadena perpetua por asesinato. Describe sus experiencias en la prisión y sus intentos por escapar, que se ven al fin coronados por el éxito. (The autobiography of a man sentenced to life imprisonment on a murder charge. He describes his prison experiences and his attempts to escape, which were eventually successful.) 1970.

El Caso de la Mujer de los Ojos Verdes RC 40866
por Erle Stanley Gardner
leído por Juan Ramirez
2 cassettes
Perry Mason rescata a una cliente atractiva que se ve mezclada con extorsión y asesinato. Novela policíaca que presenta al detective Perry Mason. (Perry Mason rescues an attractive client who is involved in murder and blackmail. A Perry Mason detective novel.) 1987.

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In Brief

NLS Catalogs Available This Spring

Two new large-print publications listing books recorded by NLS will be available to patrons this spring.

Cassette Books 1996 describes flexible-disc and cassette books for adults produced in 1996. The catalog lists fiction and nonfiction books by subject category. It also includes sections for bestsellers, young adult books, and Spanish books. *Cassette Books* will be released on flexible disc at a later date. A cassette version will also be available on loan from cooperating libraries.

Bestsellers 1984–1994 features listings of fiction bestsellers in recorded and braille formats. It describes novels by authors such as Danielle Steel, Barbara Taylor Bradford, Tom Clancy, Robert Ludlum, Stephen King, and John Grisham, among many others. A cassette version will be released later this year and will list only those titles available in recorded formats.

These publications are being sent directly to patrons who ordered them on their annual publications order forms. *Cassette Books* and *Bestsellers* can also be ordered from your cooperating library. Internet users may access the electronic versions through the NLS homepage at http://www.loc.gov/nls

Magazine of the Month

The Magazine of the Month program offers readers a sampling of magazines not otherwise available through the NLS program. Each month subscribers receive a different flexible-disc magazine.

Although the selections are subject to change, readers are currently scheduled to receive the following magazines this year. For a free subscription to Magazine of the Month, contact your local cooperating library.

Available magazines are:

Compute (information for microcomputer enthusiasts)

Discover (general science for all reader levels)

Essence (general-interest topics approached with an African American perspective)

Exquisite Corpse: A Journal of Books and Ideas (fiction, poetry, and nonfiction selections)

Family Life (activities, current issues, and concerns for modern parents)

GreenPrints: The Weeder's Digest (gardening essays and poems)

Grit: America's Family Magazine (ideas and entertainment for the whole family)

Light (verse, satire, puns, wordplay, and other light humor)

Smart Money: The Wall Street Journal Magazine of Personal Business (news and information of interest to individual investors)

Successful Retirement: The Magazine to Keep You Young (advice and ideas for retirees)

Touring America: Travel in the USA, Canada, and Mexico (focuses on rewarding and historical places to visit)

Vegetarian Times (celebrates vegetarian lifestyle and promotes healthful living).

Books for Adults

Books listed in this issue of *Talking Book Topics* were recently sent to cooperating libraries. The complete collection contains books by many authors on fiction and nonfiction subjects, including biographies, classics, gothics, mysteries, romances, and others. Contact your cooperating library to learn more about the wide range of books available in the collection.

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Note: For the information of the reader, a notice may appear immediately following the book description to indicate occurrences of strong language, explicit descriptions of sex, or violence. The word "some" before any of these terms indicates an occasional or infrequent occurrence, as in "some strong language."

Cassettes Nonfiction

Love from Nancy: The Letters of Nancy Mitford RC 38360
by Nancy Mitford
read by Jill Ferris
6 cassettes
Nancy (1904–1973), eldest of the seven Mitford children, was known for her witty novels and biographies. She also wrote more than 8,000 letters to friends, including Evelyn Waugh, Randolph Churchill, and Cyril Connolly. After her move to Paris, Nancy wrote to her family in England and to her sister Jessica in America. About 500 letters are included, sorted by stages in Nancy's life and introduced by the editor. 1993.

Capital: A Critique of Political Economy, Volume 3 RC 39629
by Karl Marx
read by Jake Williams
9 cassettes
Compiled by Frederick Engels and published more than a decade after Marx's death. Certain subjects, such as world markets and competition, are not fully developed in the original manuscript, but this volume examines the process of capitalist production in its totality. Controversial from the start, Marx shows how he would have solved the problems of what he believed would be the collapse of capitalism. 1894.

Translated Woman: Crossing the Border with Esperanza's Story RC 39641
by Ruth Behar
read by Gabriella Cavallero
3 cassettes
Cuban-born North American anthropologist interviews Esperanza, a Mexican street peddler. Esperanza, over her kitchen table, tells of witnessing her father abusing her mother, of her marriage and the births and deaths of several children, of her own husband's abusiveness, and of her beliefs. The author ends with observations about her own Latina background. 1993.

Positive Solitude: A Practical Program for Mastering Loneliness and Achieving Self-Fulfillment RC 39904
by Rae André
read by Jeanne Evans
2 cassettes
Psychologist André wrote this book after her divorce to change the negative view that being alone means being lonely. Asserting that living contentedly alone is a goal similar to losing weight, André discusses "loneliness traps" and

outlines steps to achieve positive solitude, including how to provide one's own feedback and how to maintain this new philosophy throughout life. 1991.

Eco-Scam: The False Prophets of Ecological Apocalypse RC 39923
by Ronald Bailey
read by Phil Regensdorf
2 cassettes
A former *Forbes* science writer scolds environmental "doomsdayers," including NASA scientists and Vice President Al Gore, for allegedly indiscriminately latching on to and publicizing any natural anomaly or local disaster as evidence to bolster their predictions of impending worldwide catastrophe. Believing there is "nothing out there that we cannot handle," the author urges journalists to stop disheartening people. 1993.

Edith Wharton: An Extraordinary Life RC 40066
by Eleanor Dwight
read by Kimberly Schraf
3 cassettes
A biography examining the American novelist (1862–1937) who portrayed upper-class society and also enjoyed interior design, gardening, architecture, art, and travel. Dwight finds correlations between Wharton's multifaceted life and enthusiasms and her writing, and she describes Wharton's marriage, friendships, and volunteer efforts and the places she lived and visited. 1994.

In Pharaoh's Army: Memories of the Lost War RC 40068
by Tobias Wolff
read by John Lescault
2 cassettes
In *This Boy's Life (RC 30165)*, an account of his childhood, Wolff seemed at odds with the world. Now he's in Vietnam, where he volunteered because he imagined it would make him a better writer. He was promoted, but he proved inept as an officer. Still, the experience provided material for these thirteen sketches, including a Thanksgiving celebration with a televised episode of Bonanza. Some strong language. 1994.

American Mom: Motherhood, Politics, and Humble Pie RC 40071
by Mary Kay Blakely
read by Celeste Lawson
2 cassettes
After experiencing the "reverse pregnancies" of letting her two grown sons go, cultural reporter Blakely reminisces about their time as a post-nuclear family in the seventies and eighties. She writes of her transitions through the roles of working mother, divorced mother, poor mother, almost remarried mother, long-distance mother, and, finally, deliberately single mother. 1994.

Fifty Days of Solitude RC 40199
by Doris Grumbach
read by Barbara Rappaport
1 cassette
During the winter of 1993–1994, Grumbach took the opportunity provided by her companion Sybil's book-buying trip to spend time by herself in their home on the coast of Maine. She cut off all means of outside communication to be left alone with her books and music. As she adjusted to her self-imposed solitude, Grumbach concluded, "The essence of what I was, am now, and will be . . . waits to be found by the lasting silence." 1994.

Stanwyck RC 40207
by Axel Madsen
read by Ray Hagen
3 cassettes
Portrait of a movie star whose career spanned more than sixty years. The author sketches the path of Ruby Stevens from Brooklyn, where she was born and was orphaned at the age of three, to the *Ziegfeld Follies* and on to Hollywood. There Barbara Stanwyck, as she was known, developed a reputation as a natural talent in films such as *Stella Dallas* and *Double Indemnity*. Some strong language. 1994.

On the Edge: The Clinton Presidency RC 40208
by Elizabeth Drew
read by Barbara Rappaport
4 cassettes
The author seeks out individuals from the Clinton White House, cabinet, and Congress for their perspective on the early months of the administration. She reviews Clinton's successes and failures relating to foreign hot spots such as Bosnia and Haiti; domestic policies on health care, the economy, and crime; personal issues centering on past financial and sexual scandals; and relations with Congress. 1994.

Angels in America: A Gay Fantasia on National Themes; Part 2, Perestroika RC 40255
by Tony Kushner
read by Ray Hagen
1 cassette
Sequel to *Millennium Approaches (RC 37012)*. Part two, picking up where the angel makes a traumatic entry in the final scene of *Millennium*, stands alone or can be seen as a resolution to *Millennium*. Prior is fighting for his life, but in the end he lectures his friends about what AIDS has done and how the world will go on. Strong language. 1994.

Special Trust RC 40322
by Robert C. McFarlane
and Zofia Smardz
read by Michael Stanton
3 cassettes
McFarlane provides a behind-the-scenes look at his decades of government service—from his years as a Marine through his appointment as national security adviser to President Reagan. Hoping to vindicate the "special trust" given him, McFarlane looks not only at his successes, such as the Strategic Defense Initiative, but also at his failures, particularly the Iran-Contra Affair. 1994.

Queer and Loathing: Rants and Raves of a Raging AIDS Clone RC 40502
by David B. Feinberg
read by Ray Hagen
2 cassettes
Collection of previously published essays about AIDS. With caustic humor, Feinberg, a novelist with AIDS, reports on a demonstration at the Food and Drug Administration, explains how to visit someone with a terminal disease, analyzes the use of humor in dealing with AIDS, offers sex tips, and chronicles his own physical deterioration and medical treatment. Strong language and explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

The Intelligence of Dogs: A Guide to the Thoughts, Emotions, and Inner Lives of Our Canine Companions RC 40503
by Stanley Coren
read by Conrad Feininger
2 cassettes
The author draws on his experience as a psychologist and a dog trainer for a

brief account of the natural history of dogs and a detailed study of canine intelligence. He examines various breeds for an evaluation of their instinctive and adaptive intelligence and their potential for obedience. 1994.

Babe: The Life and Legend of Babe Didrikson Zaharias RC 41027

by Susan E. Cayleff
read by Carole Jordan Stewart
3 cassettes
Biography of Mildred (Babe) Didriksen, who was a success at every sport she tried. In 1932 she won javelin toss and hurdles at the women's Olympic games, and later she became a golf pro. Babe created her public image first as an androgynous star and then as a more feminine wife of wrestler George Zaharias, while keeping the nature of her relationship with young golfer Betty Dodd a secret. Babe died of cancer at forty-five. 1995.

The Coming Plague: Newly Emerging Diseases in a World out of Balance RC 41165

by Laurie Garrett
read by Ray Foushee
7 cassettes
Using examples such as HIV, tuberculosis, and the Ebola virus, science writer Garrett explores the recent history of disease emergence, examines the biology of viral evolution at the microbial level, looks at how humans are aiding and abetting the microbes, and offers some solutions. Strong language. Bestseller 1994.

The Politics of Diplomacy: Revolution, War, and Peace, 1989–1992 RC 41251

by James A. Baker
read by Terence Aselford
6 cassettes
Baker, who served under Presidents Ford, Reagan, and Bush, highlights his forty-three months as secretary of state under George Bush. He discusses various crises and diplomatic issues such as the breakup of the Soviet Union, the invasion of Kuwait, and the massacre at Tiananmen Square and details the philosophic, strategic, and tactical calculations on which diplomatic decisions were based. Bestseller 1995.

Philip Johnson: Life and Work RC 41263

by Franz Schulze
read by Ted Stoddard
4 cassettes
Portrait of the American architect whose name is associated with the Seagram and AT&T buildings, the Crystal Cathedral, and the Glass House, as well as many museums and private residences. Drawing on interviews with Johnson, plus written material; speeches; and contacts with the subject's family, friends, and colleagues, the author chronicles the acclaim and criticism surrounding this late-blooming architectural powerhouse. 1994.

Robert Louis Stevenson: A Biography RC 41264

by Frank McLynn
read by Gary Telles
6 cassettes
Professional writer opines that the author of *Treasure Island (RC 18121)* was disparaged during the hundred years after his death and undertakes to redeem Scotland's "greatest writer of En-

glish prose." McLynn focuses on the personal life of the chronically ill author who died in Samoa in 1894, arguing that Stevenson was a martyr to the greed of his wife, Fanny, and her children. 1993.

The Moral Sense RC 41281
by James Q. Wilson
read by Terence Aselford
3 cassettes
Wilson argues that everyone has a sense of right and wrong but that this sense is affected by the surrounding social structure an individual grows up with. Wilson endeavors to uncover those evolutionary, developmental, and cultural origins of our moral habits. 1993.

Crusade: The Untold Story of the Persian Gulf War RC 41346
by Rick Atkinson
read by Art Metzler
5 cassettes
Atkinson, who wrote the lead stories about the Persian Gulf War for the *Washington Post*, provides a chronological account of the forty-two-day war. He relies on his familiarity with the various leaders involved, as well as lower-echelon personnel, for his account of the bombing runs, strategy sessions, conflicts, and drug abuse that occurred. Some strong language. 1993.

Walt Whitman's America: A Cultural Biography RC 41371
by David S. Reynolds
read by John Richardson
6 cassettes
A professor of American literature and American studies offers a scholarly account of the poet, born in 1819, who identified strongly with the growing America and its "common man." Reynolds details Whitman's personal life, analyzes some of his writings, and explores his life-long quest for popularity and influence. He also probes the poet's sexual orientation, racist attitudes, and inconsistent social behavior. 1995.

A Year in the Maine Woods RC 41372
by Bernd Heinrich
read by Butch Hoover
2 cassettes
The author hones survival skills he first learned as a refugee in a German forest when he takes up a year-long residence in Maine in a log cabin that he built himself. There Heinrich, with his pet raven for company, reduces his needs to a minimum. As a naturalist on leave from his teaching post, he explores a few acres in minute detail and learns that in the forest as in life "the subtle matters, and the spectacular distracts." 1994.

The Women's Bible Commentary RC 41377
edited by Carol A. Newsom
and Sharon H. Ringe
read by Janis Gray
7 cassettes
Women Bible scholars from U.S. universities present women's perspectives on books of the Old and New Testaments. The authors use related cultural and historical information to interpret the experiences of biblical women and probe the contemporary relevance of biblical accounts. Comments follow the number and order of the books in the Protestant canon, plus Esther and Daniel. 1992.

Mapping Fate: A Memoir of Family, Risk, and Genetic Research RC 41396
by Alice Wexler
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
After the author's mother was diagnosed with Huntington's disease, Wexler's father and sister became involved in research to find a cure. Wexler tells of the disease's effect on her family and the suspense of knowing she and her sister have a 50 percent chance of developing the illness. She describes the research that resulted in identifying the disease-carrying gene. 1995.

In Their Footsteps: The *American Visions* Guide to African-American Heritage Sites RC 41400
by Henry Chase
read by Butch Hoover
6 cassettes
Travel editor for *American Visions* magazine provides a state-by-state guide to historical sites throughout the United States and Canada that are significant to African American history. Divided geographically, with introductory essays by authors such as Gloria Naylor, Amiri Baraka, and Ishmael Reed, this guide includes directions, fees, and operating hours for each place. 1994.

The Bell Curve Wars: Race, Intelligence, and the Future of America RC 41401
edited by Steven Fraser
read by Lou Harpenau
2 cassettes
Essays by nineteen academics, writers, and editors rebutting the thesis of *The Bell Curve (RC 39153)*, which purports to show that intelligence, seen as the basis for achievement and social success, is a product of genetic make-up, not environment or education. Essayists question the methods, conclusions, and motives of *Bell Curve* authors Hernstein and Murray. 1995.

Christina Stead: A Biography RC 41426
by Hazel Rowley
read by Patricia Kilgarriff
6 cassettes
This Australian fiction writer born in 1902 lived in England from age twenty-six to seventy-one and spent her last nine years in Australia. Stead was largely ignored by her homeland and considered by some to be difficult, intensely private, politically outspoken, and generally eccentric. Her work was appreciated, nevertheless, by respected literary critics. *The Man Who Loved Children* was her best-known novel. 1993.

The Complete Poems of John Keats RC 41449
by John Keats
read by George Holmes
3 cassettes
Collected works of the quintessential Romantic poet, who died of tuberculosis in 1821 at age twenty-six. Includes poems such as "Ode on a Grecian Urn," "La Belle Dame sans Merci," and "The Eve of St. Agnes," along with the allegorical romance "Endymion" and the five-act poetic tragedy "Otho the Great." 1995.

Dreams of a Final Theory RC 41465
by Steven Weinberg
read by Michael Stanton
2 cassettes
A winner of the 1979 Nobel Prize for physics and author of *The First Three Minutes (RC 15438)* explains in lay language the scientific search for a "final theory" that would unify and explain the physical laws governing the uni-

verse. He speculates on the character of that theory and on what it might mean for humankind, including the question, "What about God?" 1992.

Sixty-seven Ways to Protect Seniors from Crime RC 41468
by J.L. Simmons
read by Don Feldheim
2 cassettes
The author asserts that protecting oneself against crime "boils down to two things: recognizing what the hazards are and eliminating or thwarting these risks." His sixty-seven solutions cover such diverse topics as walking safety, telemarketing and mail scams, security for nursing homes, rape prevention, medical frauds, and public transportation safety. 1993.

Wreath Magic: Eighty-six Magnificent Wreaths, Garlands, and Swags to Make RC 41486
by Leslie Dierks
read by Jill Ferris
1 cassette
Dierks discusses the materials, tools, and techniques used in making wreaths, garlands, and swags. Evergreens, flowers, herbs, nuts, cones, pods, straw, moss, wire, pins, string, and glue are some of the components. Projects include an edible table wreath, a wreath with flowering bulbs, a swag of artificial fruit, and a garland of rhododendron branches. 1994.

Living in the Shadow of Death: Tuberculosis and the Social Experience of Illness in American History RC 41508
by Sheila M. Rothman
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
3 cassettes
Studies how generations of individuals, families, and communities responded to people with consumption, later called tuberculosis. Using diaries and letters, a medical researcher presents patients' perspectives, tracing the disease once thought hereditary through its successful treatment with drugs to its resurgence in the late 1900s. 1994.

The Ascent of Man RC 41528
by J. Bronowski
read by Ted Stoddard
3 cassettes (Reissue)
Originally developed as a television series, this work by a historian, inventor, mathematician, and leader in the modern movement of scientific humanism traces the growth of science through "the great monuments of human invention." 1973.

The Unquiet Ghost: Russians Remember Stalin RC 41533
by Adam Hochschild
read by Margaret Strom
2 cassettes
This account of the author's 1991 visit to Russia sketches the legacy of the man directly responsible for twenty million deaths. Hochschild visits the arctic Kolyma area, where starving prisoners mined gold, and a KGB office, where he is invited to examine files. With terror survivors and former guards, he probes questions of responsibility and guilt. 1994.

Failing at Fairness: How America's Schools Cheat Girls RC 41600
by Myra and David Sadker
read by Jill Fox
3 cassettes
American University professors and trainers in the prevention of sexism and sexual harassment report on their studies and observations. They use examples and anecdotes to illustrate how female

students are shortchanged by stereotypes, low expectations, minimal teacher attention, few role models, scant information about women's accomplishments, and sexual harassment. 1994.

The Language of Life: A Festival of Poets
RC 41602
by Bill Moyers
read by James DeLotel
4 cassettes
This companion to a PBS series presents Moyers's conversations with more than thirty poets. To Moyers, "poetry is news—news of the mind, news of the heart—and in the reading and hearing of it, poet and audience are fused." The poets who discuss their lives and their works include James A. Autry, Jimmy Santiago Baca, Rita Dove, Robert Hass, Stanley Kunitz, Naomi Shihab Nye, Octavio Paz, and Mary TallMountain. 1995.

A Match to the Heart RC 41606
by Gretel Ehrlich
read by Carole Jordan Stewart
2 cassettes
Writer Ehrlich, who told of her move to Wyoming in *The Solace of Open Spaces (RC 24607)*, was struck by lightning while walking at her Wyoming ranch. She describes waking, barely able to move. The local doctors didn't know what to make of her symptoms and Ehrlich didn't really receive treatment until she returned to her parents' California home. She explores in lyrical terms her rediscovery of her body and its functions. 1994.

The Lives of Whales and Dolphins
RC 41607
by Richard C. Connor
and Dawn Micklethwaite Peterson
read by Butch Hoover
2 cassettes
The American Museum of Natural History presents a companion book to *The Lives of Birds (RC 41184)* by Lester Short. Connor describes the behavior of whales and dolphins, the large mammals of the sea. He discusses the evolution of these animals that first lived on land, their intelligence, the senses they use, what they eat, how they communicate, and how they socialize and raise young. 1994.

The Reengineering Revolution: A Handbook RC 41608
by Michael Hammer
and Steven A. Stanton
read by Lou Harpenau
2 cassettes
Hammer, of *Reengineering the Corporation (RC 37304)*, and Stanton summarize experiences with reengineering since the concept was first proposed. Defining reengineering as "a radical redesign of processes to bring about dramatic improvements," the authors tell what a company needs to reengineer successfully, offer ways to solve problems, and describe successes and failures. 1995.

My Dog Skip RC 41612
by Willie Morris
read by Jack Fox
1 cassette
The author tells how he grew up in a small southern town in the 1940s with a dog that could run football patterns and, it was believed, drive a car. Morris, who also wrote *New York Days (RC 37924)*,

demonstrates his evocative storytelling skills in this tribute to his dog, Skip. 1995.

Unplanned Parenthood: The Confessions of a Seventysomething Surrogate Mother RC 41614

by Liz Carpenter
read by Terry Hayes Sales
1 cassette
Writer, lecturer, former reporter, and past press secretary to Lady Bird Johnson, Liz Carpenter is in her seventies when she begins raising her late brother's three teenagers. She tells how her reluctance is overcome by the knowledge that she would "rather do it than fail to do it" and discusses the humorous side of parenting in the 1990s. Some strong language. 1994.

Lincoln in American Memory RC 41618

by Merrill D. Peterson
read by Randy Atcher
4 cassettes
A history professor emeritus of the University of Virginia examines the role Lincoln's image has played in American thought. Celebrated in poetry and drama as well as biographies, the "martyred" president was, Peterson argues, mythologized to meet the needs of the moment—as the great emancipator, the self-made man, and other archetypes that may or may not reflect reality. 1994.

AIDS: What the Government Isn't Telling You RC 41623

by Lorraine Day
read by Kerry Cundiff
2 cassettes
A surgeon says that medical colleagues and government officials have not told the truth about AIDS. Dr. Day reveals well-documented facts about the AIDS epidemic. She speaks out on matters of general concern, such as the safety of blood banks, ways that the virus can survive and be transmitted, and how to protect oneself from this fatal disease. 1991.

Dorie: Woman of the Mountains RC 41624

by Florence Cope Bush
read by Terry Hayes Sales
2 cassettes
The occasional stone chimney or foundation in the Great Smokey Mountains National Park tells something about the families who farmed there until the 1930s. This account of the author's mother brings the proud mountain people's story to life with descriptions of daily work, play, folk wisdom, crafts, and love of nature. 1992.

Taking Charge: Overcoming the Challenges of Long-term Illness RC 41631

by Irene Pollin and Susan K. Golant
read by Kerry Cundiff
2 cassettes
The author, a psychiatric social worker, developed the kind of counseling she wished had been available when she lost two children to heart ailments. The aim of this book is to help chronically ill people and their families preserve their quality of life, plan a productive future, and master what she calls the eight fears of chronic illness. 1994.

Abby Aldrich Rockefeller: The Woman in the Family RC 41635

by Bernice Kert
read by Janis Gray
4 cassettes
Portrait of the woman who married John D. Rockefeller Jr., bore their six

children, and influenced the entire family in matters concerning the arts, politics, and philanthropy. Drawing on a variety of sources, the author creates a picture of an extroverted woman who used her privileged position to further public-service projects, including two museums, a hotel for working women, and a center for immigrant families. 1993.

The Last Great Frenchman: A Life of General de Gaulle RC 41642
by Charles Williams
read by Robert Blumenfeld
4 cassettes
The author, a member of the British House of Lords, portrays the wily, dictatorial twentieth-century leader as personally identified with his country and determined to maintain France as a world power. After the World War II surrender of France to the Nazis, de Gaulle formed the Free French, ensuring France a place at the victory table. Later as president, he resisted union with other European states and sought nuclear capability. 1993.

Small Acts: Thoughts on the Politics of Black Cultures RC 41645
by Paul Gilroy
read by John Horton
2 cassettes
Essays by a black British sociologist on subjects ranging from black music forms to the defining of culture on the basis of race. Gilroy, who is of Caribbean descent, criticizes the African American tendency to view the black experience as peculiar to the United States. Citing the examples of W.E.B. Du Bois, Malcolm X, and others, Gilroy argues that the black experience transcends national borders. 1993.

Reclaiming the Dead Sea Scrolls: The History of Judaism, the Background of Christianity, the Lost Library of Qumran RC 41652
by Lawrence H. Schiffman
read by Ralph Lowenstein
4 cassettes
The author, a Judaic scholar and a member of the editorial team publishing the scrolls, views them as a history of Judaism during the Second Temple period, which ended in 70 C.E. He states that, rather than being documents of an early Christian sect, they are the writings of a Sadducee priest who left Jerusalem after the Maccabean revolt. 1994.

How the Irish Saved Civilization: The Untold Story of Ireland's Heroic Role from the Fall of Rome to the Rise of Medieval Europe RC 41657
by Thomas Cahill
read by Patrick Horgan
2 cassettes
Cahill demonstrates how literacy and classical learning survived through the efforts of "men so strange they lived in little huts on rocky outcrops and shaved half their heads and tortured themselves." The author chattily relates how these Irish monks began in the fifth century to handcopy literature crucial to the later growth of medieval culture. 1995.

Bernard Shaw, Volume 4: 1950–1991; The Last Laugh RC 41673
by Michael Holroyd
read by Patrick Horgan
1 cassette
This epilogue to the three-volume biography reveals British playwright Shaw's "afterlife": the settling of his affairs and estate, complete with dramatic and comedic tussles among would-be custo-

dians. In addition to the wills of Shaw and his wife, this volume contains a cumulative index to the entire biography and a film list. Sequel to *Bernard Shaw: Volume 3 (RC 35753)*. 1992.

Spoonbread and Strawberry Wine: Recipes and Reminiscences of a Family RC 41680
by Norma Jean and Carole Darden
read by Connie Winston
2 cassettes
African American sisters Norma Jean and Carole are the offspring of Walter Darden and Mamie Jean Sampson. Dividing the book between the Sampsons and the Dardens, the sisters celebrate their heritage with an anecdotal sketch for each grandparent, aunt, uncle, and parent, and include that person's favorite recipes. Other chapters give recipes from friends and for holiday gatherings and funerals. 1978.

9 Highland Road RC 41685
by Michael Winerip
read by Christopher Hurt
3 cassettes
The author examines the lives of five members of a Long Island, New York, group home for mentally ill people. He first explains why neighbors objected to a group home and how those same people now accept it. Then he recounts the daily lives of the residents, who deal with illness in varying degrees as they struggle for dignity. He also describes the interaction between residents, family members, and social workers. 1994.

Aguirre: The Re-Creation of a Sixteenth-Century Journey across South America RC 41707
by Stephen Minta
read by Peter Gil
2 cassettes
Combines an account of the author's own journey from Cuzco, Peru, to Barquisimeto, Venezuela, with the story of the infamous Basque explorer whose footsteps Minta is tracing. On an expedition to locate El Dorado, Aguirre murdered his leader and took the expedition to its fruitless end, spreading murder and devastation as he went. 1993.

An Intimate History of Humanity RC 41716
by Theodore Zeldin
read by Annie Wauters
4 cassettes
The Oxford senior fellow and author explores interpersonal communication throughout history and speculates on future possibilities. Each chapter begins with a portrait of an individual. For example, a woman who fears loneliness leads the author to discuss hermits, writers, and eccentrics and to suggest turning solitude into an adventure. 1994.

Aristocrats: Caroline, Emily, Louisa, and Sarah Lennox 1740–1832 RC 41724
by Stella Tillyard
read by Vanessa Maroney
4 cassettes
A former university professor draws on thousands of letters between the Lennox sisters, daughters of the second duke of Richmond, to depict the lives of the rich and wellborn. Included are details of everyday life, stories of marriages and affairs, and accounts of births and deaths. Family members pur-

sue personal goals within the confines of conventional propriety. 1994.

Warriors Don't Cry: A Searing Memoir of the Battle to Integrate Little Rock's Central High RC 41725

by Melba Pattillo Beals
read by Kimberly Schraf
2 cassettes

Journalist and writer Pattillo was one of the nine black students to start integrating Central High School in Little Rock, Arkansas, in 1957. Diary entries and newspaper headlines supplement her description of the intense battle she endured during that year. Her attackers included other students, their parents, the National Guard, and even the governor. Violence and some strong language. 1994.

What Ever Happened to the American Dream RC 41729

by Larry Burkett
read by Bob Moore
2 cassettes

The founder of Christian Financial Concepts, Inc., and author of *The Coming Economic Earthquake (RC 35609)* again predicts collapse of the U.S. economy. He blames "amoral" European values, brought home by returning World War I doughboys and now generating evils such as government regulations, deficit spending, environmentalism, and the New Age movement. He advises readers to pay off debts, diversify investments, and pray. 1993.

My Point . . . And I Do Have One RC 41736

by Ellen DeGeneres
read by Pam Ward
1 cassette

Ellen DeGeneres, comedian and star of the television sitcom *Ellen*, discusses her humorous attempt to train for the Iditarod with her two pet dogs in California and explains the perks of being a celebrity, including being allowed to add five days to milk's expiration date. She rambles on through various topics until, as she says, she has written the sixty thousand words her contract calls for. Some strong language. Bestseller 1995.

China Wakes: The Struggle for the Soul of a Rising Power RC 41740

by Nicholas D. Kristof
and Sheryl WuDunn
read by Bill Wallace
4 cassettes

The couple, *New York Times* Beijing correspondents from 1988 to 1993 who won a Pulitzer Prize for their reports on Tiananmen Square, recount their observations in alternate chapters. Agonizing over government cruelty, they marvel at China's economic growth. WuDunn's Chinese heritage allows her an inside look. Violence and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

Barren in the Promised Land: Childless Americans and the Pursuit of Happiness RC 41748

by Elaine Tyler May
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
3 cassettes

Explores views of childlessness throughout the twentieth century as well as contemporary attitudes about procreation. American studies professor May invited childless people to send her their stories. She draws on five hundred responses from various people—young, old, gay, and straight—and those of several ethnic, racial, and religious groups. 1995.

Money: Whence It Came, Where It Went RC 41749
by John Kenneth Galbraith
read by John Rayburn
3 cassettes
Revised edition of the 1975 classic by the Harvard economics professor emeritus and author of *The Affluent Society (RC 25345)*. With wit and literary elegance, Galbraith details the evolution of money, examines economic and monetary theories, and suggests improvements. He says that no monetary trend lasts forever and that people pursue policies suited to their most vivid memories rather than to present needs. 1995.

Custer Died for Your Sins: An Indian Manifesto RC 41766
by Vine Deloria
read by Jamie Horton
2 cassettes (Reissue)
The preface to this 1988 edition states, "The Indian world has changed so substantially since the first publication of this book that some things contained in it seem new again." Many myths about Native Americans were debunked by the original 1969 work, and other factors have changed. Problems that remain are described in the text that has its own tough humor. 1988.

"Why Should White Guys Have All the Fun?" How Reginald Lewis Created a Billion-Dollar Business Empire RC 41767
by Reginald F. Lewis
and Blair S. Walker
read by Jake Williams
3 cassettes
When African American Reginald Lewis died at fifty in 1993 he was a millionaire many times over. Journalist Walker uses Lewis's unfinished autobiography and interviews with his family and colleagues to tell the story of Lewis's rise to attorney and then to CEO of a multinational company. Some strong language. 1995.

Volcano: A Memoir of Hawai'i RC 41772
by Garrett Hongo
read by David Hartley-Margolin
2 cassettes
A poet and professor at the University of Oregon recounts his experience as a Hawaii-born Japanese whose family moved to Los Angeles when he was a child. With his wife and son, he returns to Volcano, the village of his birth, in search of roots and identity. He focuses on the natural beauty of Hawaii, on the volcano, and on the local customs as he discovers long-lost relatives and ponders his own life. 1995.

Solo: Life with an Electric Car RC 41774
by Noel Perrin
read by Bob Askey
2 cassettes
While teaching environmental studies at Dartmouth College, Professor Perrin was confronted about commuting to work by automobile. Vowing to find a more environmentally friendly method, Perrin decided on an electric car. He describes his abortive attempt to drive the car he calls Solo back to Vermont from its factory in California. Once home, however, Solo proves well-suited to be a commuter car. 1992.

Rush Limbaugh Is a Big Fat Idiot and Other Observations RC 41786
by Al Franken
read by Lou Harpenau
2 cassettes
Best known as a writer and comic for

television's *Saturday Night Live*, Franken takes a humorous look at the political right, beginning with talk radio host Rush Limbaugh and his audience of "fact-challenged dittoheads." Newt Gingrich, Pat Buchanan, and others are also targeted in what Franken calls "200-plus pages of . . . mean-spirited (yet accurate) bile." Strong language. Bestseller 1996.

Religion and the Racist Right: The Origins of the Christian Identity Movement RC 41797
by Michael Barkun
read by Frank Coffee
3 cassettes
A political science professor documents the little-known movement he says underpins the 1990s extreme right in the United States. Members, Barkun says, project a world divided between the children of God—white Aryans—and the offspring of Satan—Jews, blacks, and others. They also hold institutions suspect, see conspiracy everywhere, and think an apocalyptic struggle is imminent. 1994.

Tisha: The Story of a Young Teacher in the Alaska Wilderness RC 41798
by Robert Specht
read by Suzanne Toren
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Autobiography of Ann Hobbs as told to the author. In 1927 the nineteen-year-old woman went to teach in a one-room schoolhouse in the former gold-rush settlement of Chicken, Alaska. "Tisha" is the Indian children's pronunciation of "teacher." For junior and senior high and older readers. 1976.

Poems RC 41803
by Samuel Taylor Coleridge
read by John Horton
3 cassettes
The juvenile poems that introduce this collection were written in the 1790s. Poems written after the turn of the nineteenth century reflect Coleridge's friendship with the Wordsworths and his growing interest in nature, the exotic, and human emotions. Contains the complete poems of the Romantic writer, including such well-known works as "Kubla Khan," "The Rime of the Ancient Mariner," and "Cristabel." 1991.

The Essays of Virginia Woolf, Volume 1, 1904–1912 RC 41805
edited by Andrew McNeillie
read by Suzanne Toren
4 cassettes
First of six volumes comprising a definitive collection of Woolf's essays. The editor restored the original manuscripts, which document Woolf's professional growth and that of the era's literature. This volume covers 1904-1912, during which Woolf's career was based on her literary reviews including those of James Boswell and Oliver Wendell Holmes. Followed by *The Essays of Virginia Woolf, Volume 2 (RC 41806)*. 1986.

Into the Wild RC 41823
by Jon Krakauer
read by Dan Bloom
2 cassettes
This book, which grew from an article the author wrote for *Outside* magazine, discusses a fatal trek by a young man named Chris McCandless. After graduating from college in 1990, McCandless abandoned his car, gave away his money, and cut off contact with his family.

Exactly 112 days after he wandered into the Alaskan wilderness, McCandless was found dead of starvation. The author looks to himself and other adventurers for an explanation. Bestseller 1996.

Cleopatra's Nose: Essays on the Unexpected RC 41837

by Daniel J. Boorstin
read by Roy Avers
2 cassettes

Librarian of Congress Emeritus Daniel Boorstin shares his enjoyment of how the unexpected has shaped history. Seventeen essays marvel at the unexpected results of technological advancement and challenge the predictability of human endeavor. The title is from the Pascal quote: "Cleopatra's nose, had it been shorter, the whole face of the world would have been changed." 1994.

Stop Aging Now! The Ultimate Plan for Staying Young and Reversing the Aging Process RC 41838

by Jean Carper
read by Kerry Cundiff
2 cassettes

Author of *Food—Your Miracle Medicine (RC 37385)* examines the antiaging powers of vitamin supplements, herbs, and food. She presents what she claims to be "every scientifically valid dietary substance—and the dose—to forestall aging throughout your life" and provides a supplement and diet strategy. Bestseller 1995.

Your Boss Is Not Your Mother: Creating Autonomy, Respect, and Success at Work RC 41846

by Brian DesRoches
read by Lou Harpenau
2 cassettes

From his experience working in business, the author, a family systems therapist, recognized that people show similar negative patterns both on the job and in the family. He presents an approach for individuals to use to understand the problems, pinpoint their contributions, and improve their approach to situations in the workplace. 1995.

When the Hearing Gets Hard: Winning the Battle against Hearing Impairment RC 41847

by Elaine Suss
read by Jill Fox
2 cassettes

A basic, but thorough, guide for people who lose some hearing, and for their families. The author's sometimes awkward experiences alternate with solid information about types of loss, hearing aids and other devices, and drugs that can cause loss. She counsels in a straightforward manner how to make the most of available technology and how to be most comfortable in social settings. 1993.

Making Hay RC 41854

edited by Kenneth Jernigan
read by Bruce Huntey
1 cassette

In the title essay in this Kernel Book collection, National Federation of the Blind spokesperson Kenneth Jernigan tells of wanting to make hay during the summer as a young man. When he was turned down, Jernigan made and sold tables at a much higher rate of pay, proving there are many ways to "make hay." Other essays show that when blind people are given the right opportunities, blindness is reduced to the level of a physical nuisance. 1993.

Return with Honor RC 41856
by Scott O'Grady
read by Jack Fox
1 cassette
Air Force Captain Scott O'Grady prepared for his Deny Flight mission over Bosnia as usual on June 2, 1995. But several hours later, his plane was hit by an antiaircraft missile, and his day became anything but usual. As O'Grady details his survival during the six days it took for him to be rescued, he also provides background information on his life up to and following that mission. Bestseller 1995.

Principal Products of Portugal: Prose Pieces RC 41857
by Donald Hall
read by James DeLotel
2 cassettes
The author's love of words, and the sound of them, resonates through this collection of prose works. The title was selected for its "prodigious procession of p's" and its evocation of schoolroom recitation. The language used in discussing recurrent topics of baseball, reading (especially while moving one's lips), nature, and artists reflects the skills of this prizewinning author. 1995.

Arthritis: Stop Suffering, Start Moving RC 41867
by Darlene Cohen
read by Janis Gray
2 cassettes
In 1977 the author was diagnosed with rheumatoid arthritis at the age of thirty-five. Not wanting to begin drug therapy but suffering greatly, Cohen went to a therapist who trained her to focus on her "bodily sensations" and find small places in her body where movement was possible without pain. She describes steps arthritis patients can take to gradually regain (and then maintain) flexibility and strength. 1995.

Dream City: Race, Power, and the Decline of Washington, D.C. RC 41919
by Harry S. Jaffe and Tom Sherwood
read by Ralph Lowenstein
3 cassettes
Two Washington journalists discuss changes in Washington, D.C., from 1964 to 1994. Their discussion centers around Marion Barry's terms as mayor because it is their belief that his career parallels the decline of the nation's capital. They believe that the Washington of the 1990s was shaped by racism and racial insecurity. 1994.

Montana RC 41922
by Joe Montana
read by Christopher Hurt
1 cassette
Autobiography of noted quarterback Joe Montana. After proving his football skill in his last year at Notre Dame, Montana was a third-round pick for the San Francisco Forty-Niners. He led the team to victory in four Super Bowls and was named Most Valuable Player three times. Before retiring in 1995 at thirty-eight, Montana also played with the Kansas City Chiefs. Some strong language. Bestseller 1995.

Islamic Fundamentalism in the Modern World RC 41926
by William Spencer
read by Ken Kliban
1 cassette
To diffuse the emotion and confusion he believes exist about the Islamic world, a professor of Middle East history explains the Five Pillars of Islam, the true definition of "jihad," and that only part of the Islamic world practices

fundamentalism. The conflict of values between East and West provides context to current and historic events. For junior and senior high and older readers. 1995.

Ring of Truth: A Translator's Testimony RC 41927
by J.B. Phillips
read by John Horton
1 cassette
A personal testimony of how the Bible, and particularly the New Testament, can bring insight and renewal. The author is an Anglican cleric whose translation of the New Testament into modern English has been widely accepted. 1967.

The Beardstown Ladies' Stitch-in-Time Guide to Growing Your Nest Egg: Step-by-Step Planning for a Comfortable Financial Future RC 41953
by Beardstown Ladies' Investment Club
read by Mary Kane
2 cassettes
Following up their *Common-Sense Investment Guide (RC 39800)*, the "ladies" offer advice on planning for retirement. Embellished with personal stories and "finishing stitch" sidebars, their suggestions include pay yourself first, create a specific plan, and know what to expect from social security. Bestseller 1996.

100 Years, 100 Stories RC 41994
by George Burns
read by Jim Zeiger
1 cassette
Burns states that he can't put each of his fans in his will; he can't even thank them enough. Instead, for his one hundredth birthday, he provides this collection of one hundred of his funniest anecdotes, plus a bonus of two. The stories cover Burns's long career and include many entries about his wife, Gracie. Bestseller 1996.

Black Judges on Justice: Perspectives from the Bench RC 42007
by Linn Washington
read by Jake Williams
2 cassettes
The editor of the *Philadelphia Tribune* and former assistant to Pennsylvania's chief justice presents gleanings from interviews with fourteen judges. They tell how they have seen racism affecting the justice system and describe their attempts to make the system work better for blacks. They decry the paucity of black judges and question the effectiveness of prison and mandatory sentencing. 1994.

More from the Gluten-Free Gourmet: Delicious Dining without Wheat RC 42079
by Bette Hagman
read by Catherine Byers
2 cassettes
The author, who was diagnosed with celiac disease twenty years earlier, provides recipes for others with the disorder and those allergic to wheat or gluten. Not meant as a diet book, the collection features all types of dishes including the breads, pastries, cakes, cookies, and desserts that those on gluten-free diets crave. Also includes instructions for using bread machines. 1993.

Mountain, Get Out of My Way: Life Lessons and Learned Truths RC 42085
by Montel Williams
read by Bob Moore
1 cassette
Talk-show host Williams offers a guideline to help young people and adults reflect on their fundamental beliefs concerning race, religion, work, family, and

various forms of abuse and to then develop the principles of restraint, responsibility, and respect. Bestseller 1996.

If This Is Mid-Life, Where's the Crisis? RC 42121
by Sam Cook
read by Peter Gil
1 cassette
A collection of humorous columns from the *Duluth News-Tribune* by a man in his forties. Cook discusses recent changes in his twenty-year marriage to his high school sweetheart. His wife's return to college for her master's degree and their two young children have disrupted the Cooks' routines. The towels they received as wedding gifts are all worn out, but the fondue pots and TV trays are still hanging in there. 1994.

Cassettes Fiction

Fortune's Favorites RC 37495
by Colleen McCullough
read by Chuck Benson
8 cassettes
This sequel to *The Grass Crown (RC 33912)* continues the story of the rise of the Roman Empire. Sulla returns from exile, declares himself dictator, and shortly thereafter retires. Pompey, who at age twenty-two begins to call himself Magnus (the Great), jumps into politics with plans to take Sulla's place. Also coming to manhood is Julius Caesar, who sheds his priestly robes to become involved in political affairs. Some violence. 1993.

The Sea Peoples: The Children of the Lion, Volume 11 RC 38499
by Peter Danielson
read by Patrick Horgan
3 cassettes
Once more the Teller of Tales begins his story. He recalls the cataclysm that occurred in the Great Sea, spreading devastation across the land. Now he tells of the new cities that begin to rise; of the Promised Land now inhabited by the Sea Peoples, and of Joshua's rise among the Children of the Lion. Sequel to *The Exodus (RC 38498)*. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. 1989.

The Promised Land: The Children of the Lion, Volume 12 RC 38500
by Peter Danielson
read by Patrick Horgan
2 cassettes
The Teller of Tales begins. He has spoken of Joshua's rise among the Children of the Lion and of his plan to invade and conquer the Promised Land. Now he tells of those invasions, of the men who created a new civilization, and of the Children of the Lion, who take their places among the great rulers of the world. Sequel to *The Sea Peoples (RC 38499)*. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. 1990.

The Invaders: The Children of the the Lion, Volume 13 RC 38501
by Peter Danielson
read by Patrick Horgan
3 cassettes
The Teller of Tales recalls how Joshua and the Israelites conquered the Promised Land but failed to adhere to the Law of Moses. Now he tells how the Israelites became weak without a guide, how the Children of the Lion were ex-

iled from Egypt, and how God chose a woman to do the work the men could not do. Sequel to *The Promised Land (RC 38500)*. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. 1991.

The Woman between the Worlds RC 39901
by F. Gwynplaine MacIntyre
read by Phil Regensdorf
2 cassettes
London 1898. When Vanessa Steele first appears at the door of the tattoo shop, she is invisible and claims to be a scientist whose experiment has gone wrong. She is actually an alien who wants a full-body tattoo so that she can be human. The tattoo artist agrees, and as he works on her, he begins to fall in love with Vanessa. But Vanessa is haunted by the evil of Dreadful Eye—the ruler of her universe. Some violence. 1994.

Fortune's Folly RC 39921
by Margaret Summerville
read by June Carter
2 cassettes
On the morning of his death, Sir Humphrey Maitland has his jeweler deliver an emerald necklace to a Miss M. from "her Lancelot." The necklace is received by Miss Pandora Marsh, who, regardless of the enclosed note, knows nothing of Lancelot. That delivery sets in motion a chain of events that forever change the life of Pandora and her aristocratic but genteelly impoverished family. 1994.

Good Bones and Simple Murders RC 40064
by Margaret Atwood
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
Three dozen sketches that grin and sneer at taking life too seriously. "Good Bones" muses on the attention paid to the skeletal frame when it is what makes bones "bad" that is of interest. In "Gertrude Talks Back," Hamlet's mother delivers a monologue to her priggish son. And "Let Us Now Praise Stupid Women" is one of several pieces with a feminist view on the role of women in literature. Some strong language. 1994.

The Midnight Club RC 40065
by Christopher Pike
read by John Lescault
1 cassette
Five terminally ill teenagers are spending their final days in a hospice, where they meet every night at midnight to tell stories. Subjects of reincarnation, life after death, God, the devil, suffering, love, and angels figure in many of these tales. One girl receives enlightenment from "the Master." Another, who never tells a story, finds out that she was misdiagnosed and leaves the hospice. For high school and older readers. 1994.

Who Do You Think You Are? Stories of Friends and Enemies RC 40070
edited by Hazel Rochman
and Darlene Z. McCampbell
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
Collection of sixteen short stories and excerpts from books selected to show how love and hurt get all mixed up between friends. Includes works by Ray Bradbury, Joyce Carol Oates, Tobias Wolff, Carson McCullers, and Maya Angelou. Some strong language. For high school and older readers. 1993.

What I Lived For RC 40202
by Joyce Carol Oates
read by Laura Giannarelli
5 cassettes
This novel takes place over one Memorial Day weekend. Wealthy, alcoholic city council member Jerome "Corky" Corcoran is disturbed by the news that an attractive woman, who had recently accused one of his colleagues of raping her, has committed suicide. The death reminds Corky of his father's murder. As he contemplates life, he ponders the things that corrupt it. Violence, strong language, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

Land of the Brave and the Free: The Journals of Corrie Belle Hollister, Book 7 RC 40215
by Michael Phillips
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
While serving as a Union spy in Confederate territory, Corrie Belle Hollister is shot and wounded. She is recovering in the home of Mrs. Timms, where Timms's boarder, Christopher Braxton, helps care for her. Chris and Corrie spend many hours together as Corrie recovers her memory, and both seek to learn God's mission for them. Sequel to *Into the Long Dark Night (RC 40214)*. 1993.

All Our Yesterdays RC 40288
by Robert B. Parker
read by John Lescault
2 cassettes
Boston lawyer Chris Sheridan and Grace Winslow love each other, but past events threaten to destroy their families and separate them. In hopes of reestablishing their love for each other, Chris spends six months in Dublin trying to understand the circumstances that led to his grandfather's betrayal and flight to freedom, followed by rape, murder, and blackmail in the next generation. Strong language, explicit descriptions of sex, and some violence. 1994.

The Dragonbone Chair: Memory, Sorrow, and Thorn, Book 1 RC 40337
by Tad Williams
read by Erik Sandvold
6 cassettes
Simon, fourteen, is a scullery boy at Hayholt Castle in the land of Osten Ard. Then one day he is apprenticed to Doctor Morgenes and finds himself involved with the League of the Scroll. King Elias has succeeded to the throne, bringing an evil force with him. To save the realm, Simon must unravel the riddle of the three lost swords called Memory, Sorrow, and Thorn—and now Elias has one. For high school and older readers. 1988.

The Dain Curse RC 40462
by Dashiell Hammett
read by Gary Telles
2 cassettes (Reissue)
The theft of a few imperfect diamonds points a seasoned detective to a trail of murder, drugs, and strange rituals among a sinister cult in San Francisco. Some strong language and some violence. 1928.

Red Cloud's Revenge, Showdown on the Northern Plains, 1867: The Plainsmen, Book 2 RC 40640
by Terry C. Johnston
read by John Polk
3 cassettes
In this sequel to *Sioux Dawn (RC 40639)*, Johnston recreates the two battles that took place less than twenty-four hours apart in August of 1867. Seven months

after the Fetterman Massacre, Sergeant Seamus Donegan of the Army of the West watches the proud leaders of natives and whites as they battle at Hay Field and Wagon Box. Violence and strong language. 1990.

Leave a Message for Willie: A Sharon McCone Mystery RC 40744
by Marcia Muller
read by Pam Ward
1 cassette
Willie Whelan is a vendor at the Saltflats Flea Market near Brisbane. He also works as a fence—and someone thinks Whelan knows something about some missing Torahs. A man wearing a yarmulke has been hanging around Whelan's stall for about three weeks, and he has asked Sharon McCone to investigate. But McCone has hardly gotten her investigation under way when the man, Jerry Levin, is murdered. Strong language. 1984.

Reach to Eternity: This Land, This Time, Volume 3 RC 40849
by Dobrica Ćosić
read by Ed Blake
3 cassettes
Third volume of an epic quartet of novels about World War I. Young Serbian soldiers are basking in accolades from their commanders and foreign dignitaries following their victory over the Austrian army. But their pleasure begins to wear thin as they are repeatedly called upon to defend their territory against powerful Austro-Hungarian forces. Sequel to *A Time of Death (RC 40848)*. 1980.

Dean Duffy RC 40930
by Randy Powell
read by Rick Rohan
1 cassette
As high school ends, Dean Duffy says goodbye to his once-promising baseball career. But the following fall, Duffy gets an unexpected offer of a baseball scholarship from a private college. During the months before he has to decide, Duffy thinks back to the events before and after he threw his arm out at sixteen and ponders whether he can endure another effort and possible failure. Some strong language. For junior and senior high and older readers. 1995.

Crown of Shadows: The Coldfire Trilogy, Book 3 RC 41169
by C.S. Friedman
read by Chuck Benson
3 cassettes
On the planet Erna, the sadistic demon Calesta seeks power over all living things, especially humans. Damien Vryce, warrior-priest of the One God, forms an uneasy alliance with undead sorcerer Gerald Tarrant in an attempt to defeat Calesta. With humanity at risk, they face a foe that may be invincible even to their combined powers. Sequel to *When True Night Falls (RC 39357)*. Violence and strong language. 1995.

Tek Power RC 41187
by William Shatner
read by Gary Tipton
2 cassettes
The evil Tek drug cartel hatches a scheme to seize power and legalize Tek by replacing President Brookmeyer with a look-alike android. Private eye Jake Cardigan, now approaching fifty but still in pretty good shape, learns of the plot while he and his partner, Sid Gomez,

investigate the suspicious death of a friend's daughter-in-law. Sixth novel of the Tek series, sequel to *Tek Secret (RC 37708)*. Some strong language. 1994.

Alvin Journeyman: The Tales of Alvin Maker, Volume 4 RC 41189
by Orson Scott Card
read by John Polk
3 cassettes
In an alternate frontier America, Alvin Miller, the seventh son of a seventh son, is especially skilled in magic, and he intends to settle down in his hometown of Vigor Church to teach the art of "making" and to practice his trade as a smith. But he runs afoul of his jealous brother, Calvin, and ends up accused of stealing and of helping runaway slaves. Sequel to *Prentice Alvin (RC 29660)*. Some strong language. 1995.

A Frolic of His Own RC 41223
by William Gaddis
read by Bruce Huntey
4 cassettes
Satire on Americans' penchant for taking one another to court. Oscar Crease, a college professor and author of a play about his grandfather's role in the Civil War, sues a Hollywood producer who pirates the play and makes it into a blockbuster movie. More lawsuits follow. Throughout the novel—written mainly in dialog—Oscar, his family, his friends, and his lawyers talk at each other until finally an old judge lays down the law. Some strong language. 1994.

The Man without Qualities RC 41234
by Robert Musil
read by Roy Avers
13 cassettes in 2 containers
A long, uncompleted novel with author's notes begun in the 1920s and first published in German in 1952, ten years after Musil's death. In pre-World War I Austria, Ulrich analyzes life with detachment and cynicism, sex murderer Moosbruger attracts his interest, and reunion with his sister Agathe leads to incest. Some explicit descriptions of sex. 1995.

The Light Bearer RC 41260
by Donna Gillespie
read by Mary Kane
8 cassettes
Set in the regions around Rome during the reigns of emperors Claudius and Nero, this is an account of three young people whose lives are intertwined. Auriane receives an unusual prophecy and amulet at her birth and becomes a warrior seeking vengeance for her family. Marcus Julianus, a slave rescued by his father, earns respect in Rome. And Decius, a Roman soldier, teaches battle tactics to Auriane. Some violence and some description of sex. 1994.

Ghosts of Manila RC 41295
by James Hamilton-Paterson
read by Gregory Gorton
2 cassettes
Set in the capital city of the Philippines, where groups of people, objects, and even the political system are riddled with fakes. The story opens in a factory near the airport, where body parts of vagrants and victims of death squads are reassembled into human skeletons. Meanwhile, a journalist begins to write an anthropological dissertation, really a piece of fictional scholarship, on *amok*, a deadly national disorder. Violence. 1994.

The Copper Crown: A Novel of the Keltiad RC 41300
by Patricia Kennealy-Morrison
read by George Holmes
3 cassettes
With their powers on Earth waning, the Kelts flee to the distant star realms. But there is no safety there, for the stars are home to two foes of the Kelts. The Kelts establish an uneasy peace with their enemies, and all is well until Aeron, mistress of magic, ascends the throne and Earth makes contact with the Kelts. Prequel to *The Throne of Scone (RC 41301)*. 1964.

The Throne of Scone: A Book of the Keltiad RC 41301
by Patricia Kennealy-Morrison
read by George Holmes
3 cassettes
Aeron, queen of the Kelts, and Morwen have fled from Keltia on Aeron's starship. They are searching for the Thirteen Treasures of King Arthur, taken from the kingdom fifteen centuries earlier, which will allow Aeron to win back her realm from Jaun Akhera. But Keltia forces are preparing for war. Sequel to *The Copper Crown (RC 41300)*. 1986.

Land of a Thousand Dreams: An Emerald Ballad, Volume 3 RC 41305
by B.J. Hoff
read by Terry Donnelly
3 cassettes
As promised, Morgan Fitzgerald has built a school at Nelson Hall. With him are Annie, whom he has adopted; Finola, a beautiful mute; and his companion, Sandemon. As that household makes a life in Ireland, Nora and her family face poverty, political corruption, and racial unrest in America. All will need strong faith to lead them to a better life. Sequel to *Heart of the Lonely Exile (RC 41304)*. 1992.

One King's Way: The Hammer and the Cross, Book 2 RC 41357
by Harry Harrison and John Holm
read by Bruce Huntey
3 cassettes
Shef Sigvarthsson, of the *The Hammer and the Cross (RC 38637)*, is co-ruler of Britain with Alfred of Wessex. Shef vows to build an unbeatable navy to protect his land and prevent his mighty Viking nation from falling prey to Christianity. But Shef has enemies, especially the knights of the Lance, who will stop at nothing to see him brought down. Descriptions of sex and some violence. 1995.

Dying Thunder, the Fight at Adobe Walls and the Battle of Palo Duro Canyon, 1874–1875: The Plainsmen, Book 7 RC 41369
by Terry C. Johnston
read by John Polk
3 cassettes
In this sequel to *Shadow Riders (RC 41368)*, the author continues his account of the plainsmen and the Indian Wars. He describes two battles of the Red River War. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. 1992.

Blood Song, the Battle of Powder River and the Beginning of the Great Sioux War of 1876: The Plainsmen, Book 8 RC 41370
by Terry C. Johnston
read by John Polk
3 cassettes
Johnston continues his account of the Indian Wars in this sequel to *Dying Thunder (RC 41369)*. As Seamus Done-

gan heads to Montana Territory with his new bride, his trip is interrupted by war in the Black Hills. Once again Donegan joins in a long winter battle that brings loneliness and fear. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. 1993.

Family Story RC 41378
by Alison Scott Skelton
read by Mitzi Friedlander
3 cassettes
Fifty-year-old Annie Levine is shocked to realize that the beggar she sees briefly in the New York subway is her brother, Eric. Eric has spent years looking for his daughter, Molly, who was kidnapped as a child and is presumed dead by everyone but him. Annie; her sister, Joanna; Annie's husband, Martin; and his two siblings—who all grew up together—gather to look for Eric in their old haunts. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1995.

Monday the Rabbi Took Off RC 41382
by Harry Kemelman
read by Barry Bernson
2 cassettes (Reissue)
When young Rabbi Small's contract is not renewed, he goes to Israel for three months. There he discovers that the nephew of his replacement is suspected of terrorism and is caught crossing the border. Some strong language. 1972.

The Surface of Earth RC 41386
by Reynolds Price
read by David Palmer
5 cassettes (Reissue)
A family saga set in North Carolina and Virginia between 1903 and 1944 depicts three generations of the Kendals and the Mayfields. Sixteen-year-old Eva Kendal elopes with her thirty-two-year-old Latin teacher, Forrest Mayfield. Before long, the suicide of Eva's mother brings Eva and her young son home, where they remain for years. Prequel to *The Source of Light (RC 41387)*. Strong language and descriptions of sex. 1973.

Dark Tide: A Novel of Suspense RC 41399
by William P. Kennedy
read by Roy Avers
3 cassettes
Bill and Jeanne Chester are invited by their more successful friends, Howard and Marilyn Hunter, to cruise the Caribbean in a yacht. Jeanne is steaming about Bill's lack of ambition, and the Hunters haven't told the Chesters about their own business failure. Meanwhile, courier Cindy Camilli's illegal island delivery ends in a shootout. When Cindy turns to the yacht captain for help, all of their lives change. Strong language and violence. 1995.

Taiko: An Epic Novel of War and Glory in Feudal Japan RC 41434
by Eiji Yoshikawa
read by Gordon Gould
9 cassettes
Set in the final years of sixteenth-century Japan, a time when the shogun is weak, the country is in chaos, and samurai warriors vie for control. Three men stand out: Nobunaga, who terrifies everyone and gains control of one province after another; Ieyasu, cunning and clever; and Hideyoshi, who works his way through the ranks to become the country's supreme ruler under the emperor. Violence. 1992.

Black Cross RC 41450
by Greg Iles
read by Ken Kliban
4 cassettes
Following the funeral of his grand-

parents, Dr. Mark McConnell is approached by an old family friend, Rabbi Leibovitz, who asks Mark to accompany him back to Mark's grandfather's home. There Mark learns an extraordinary and horrifying story about his grandfather's mission into Germany during World War II and is introduced to a man he only thought he knew. Strong language and violence. 1995.

Am I Blue? Coming Out from the Silence RC 41466
edited by Marion Dane Bauer
read by Anne Hancock
2 cassettes
Sixteen stories delving into various aspects of homosexuality. In "Winnie and Tommy," Tommy must finally tell his close friend Winnie that he is gay. "Holding" portrays a teenage boy reluctantly admitting that his father's significant other is a guy. "Dancing Backwards" is the story of two girls' school roommates who eventually understand they love each other. For junior and senior high and older readers. 1994.

The Tree People RC 41498
by Naomi M. Stokes
read by Mary Woods
3 cassettes
For generations a woman's eyes have watched the great cedar tree growing over the grave of the evil shaman Xulk in a Washington rain forest. For when something happens to the tree, Xulk's evil spirits will be released. Loggers have come, the cedar has been felled, and now an evil wind moves across the land bringing death in its path. It is up to acting tribal sheriff Jordan Tidewater to stop the killings. Some violence and some strong language. 1995.

The Flanders Panel RC 41515
by Arturo Perez-Reverte
read by Marcia Churchill
3 cassettes
Julia is an art restorer, and she has before her a fifteenth-century Flemish painting of two noblemen playing chess. X-rays of the painting reveal a curious inscription: "Who killed the knight?" Julia shares this secret with three of her close friends, and shortly thereafter one is dead. Julia then begins receiving notes about the murderer's next move with clues taken from the game depicted in the painting. 1990.

The Master of Petersburg RC 41525
by J.M. Coetzee
read by Christopher Walker
2 cassettes
Set in St. Petersburg in 1869. The Russian novelist Dostoevsky, who fled to Germany to escape his debts, has returned because his beloved stepson, Pavel, is dead. As the writer explores Pavel's rented room, he wonders whether the death was murder or suicide, begins to find the landlady and her daughter sexually attractive, and encounters a cultish terrorist—themes similar to those he weaves into his novels. 1994.

The Shield of Honor: The Wakefield Dynasty, Volume 3 RC 41526
by Gilbert Morris
read by Lynn Schrichte
3 cassettes
Robin Wakefield fears his son Christopher will always be in trouble. Even at thirty-one Chris is in prison again for his debts. But this time his father refuses to bail him out. Instead, Chris is offered the opportunity to sail on the *Mayflower*. It will prove to be a turning

point in Chris's life. Aboard ship Chris will meet Patience Livingston, and she will teach him about faith. Sequel to *The Winds of God (RC 39802)*. 1995.

Trinity Fields RC 41527
by Bradford Morrow
read by Peter Gil
3 cassettes
Kip Calder and Brice McCarthy are soul twins, born the same day in 1944 at Los Alamos, New Mexico—a town that was not supposed to exist. The bond between them grows as they feel a need to atone for their fathers' sin (working on the atomic bomb) and go to eat holy dirt at the chapel of Chimayó. The Vietnam War separates them, and they have much to sort out when they meet again years later. Some strong language. 1995.

Alburquerque RC 41530
by Rudolfo A. Anaya
read by Ilona Dulaski
2 cassettes
Albuquerque native Abrán González learns of his adoption when his biological mother requests his presence at her deathbed. She dies before revealing the identity of Abrán's father, and Abrán becomes consumed with finding him. Meanwhile, the controversial Albuquerque mayoral race is heating up—involving even Abrán, who is exploited by one candidate and seduced by another. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1992.

The Concert RC 41534
by Ismail Kadare
read by Annie Wauters
4 cassettes
Kadare, an exile from Albania now living in France, looks at Chinese-Albanian relations during the 1970s. His story centers around Silva Dibra and her brother Arian, who, after refusing to follow orders to surround a Communist Party committee, was dismissed from the army and has disappeared. The story culminates in a revelation made by Mao Zedong at a concert in China. 1994.

Maelstrom RC 41535
by Sam Llewellyn
read by Rick Rohan
3 cassettes
An incident fighting whalers had left environmentalist Helen Hope paralyzed and her husband, Fred, in prison. But these days Fred runs a salvage company turned over to him by his uncle Ernie, who raised him. Now Fred's life is torn apart again when long-time pacifist Ernie is arrested by the Irish for smuggling arms, and Hugo, Helen's stepbrother and Fred's partner, charters one of their boats to a whaler! Strong language and violence. 1994.

Playing Happy Families RC 41542
by Julian Symons
read by Anne Flosnik
2 cassettes
John and Eleanor Midway have been married for thirty years. On Saturday they celebrate their anniversary with members of the family. It is a happy occasion they will all remember. But the following Monday, everyone's life changes when Eleanor and John's grown daughter, Jenny, disappears without a trace. Some strong language. 1994.

Magic's Pawn: The Last Herald-Mage, Book 1 RC 41571
by Mercedes Lackey
read by James DeLotel
3 cassettes
Although born with great potential to

work magic, Vanyel wants only to be a Bard. But his talent for magic cannot be left untrained, and Vanyel is sent to be schooled by his aunt Savil, one of the famed Herald-Mages of Valdemar. Soon Vanyel finds himself the focus of both good and evil magic. If he cannot learn how to control his power, it could unleash vast destruction. Prequel to *Magic's Promise (RC 41572)*. 1989.

In the Ocean of Night RC 41573
by Gregory Benford
read by Gary Tipton
3 cassettes
In the early twenty-first century, as humans are beginning to explore the solar system, astronaut Nigel Walmsley discovers an alien spaceship while on a mission to the asteroid Icarus. His discovery sets off a chain of events that will irrevocably change his life and propel humankind to a destiny among the stars. First novel of the Galactic Center series, prequel to *Across the Sea of Suns (RC 41574)*. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1972.

A Covenant of Love: The Appomattox Saga, Book 1 RC 41579
by Gilbert Morris
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
During a ball at Gracefield, the Rocklins' Richmond plantation, Melanie Benton decides to marry Gideon Rocklin rather than his cousin Clay, who has always assumed Melanie loved him. Melanie's choice is a devastating blow to Clay and sends him on a path of destruction that could mean the demise of the Rocklin families. If only he can find his way back to God. Prequel to *Gate of His Enemies (RC 41580)*. 1992.

American Hero RC 41591
by Larry Beinhart
read by Ray Foushee
3 cassettes
A blend of fact and fiction based on what might have happened if Lee Atwater, Republican campaign manager, had left a memo for James Baker, secretary of state, regarding a highly unethical but logical method for George Bush to win the 1992 presidential campaign. The plan involves a high-tech war directed by a Hollywood producer. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1993.

A Suitable Vengeance RC 41592
by Elizabeth George
read by Mitzi Friedlander
3 cassettes
In this prequel to *A Great Deliverance (RC 28547)*, friends Scotland Yard detective Thomas Lynley (the earl of Asherton) and forensic scientist Simon St. James are both in love with Deborah, the daughter of St. James's servant. When they all visit Lynley's mother's Cornwall estate, the two men set aside their differences to solve two murders. Some strong language and some violence. 1991.

Tomorrow Is Another Day RC 41597
by Stuart M. Kaminsky
read by Scott Dowd
2 cassettes
During the filming of *Gone with the Wind*, Toby Peters works on the set security detail. He observes Clark Gable during the removal of the body of a studio extra murdered while garbed in the uniform of a Confederate soldier. The studio keeps the incident quiet, but now, five years later, Gable hires Peters to investigate death threats to himself

and the murders of other extras. Some strong language. 1995.

Chutes and Adders RC 41598
by Barbara Block
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
When writer Robin Light's husband, Murphy, dies of a cocaine overdose, she is left with his struggling pet shop. Soon after, a shop employee receives a package containing a poisonous snake and is fatally bitten. Robin is shocked to learn a cop considers her to be the prime suspect. As she searches for evidence to clear herself, Robin realizes Murphy was involved in something very shady. Strong language. 1994.

StoneDust: A Ben Abbott Novel RC 41599
by Justin Scott
read by Ray Foushee
2 cassettes
As in *Hardscape (RC 38397)*, Ben Abbott's real estate practice in his small Connecticut hometown is interrupted by a mystery. Ben's childhood friend Reg Hopkins is found dead, and the medical examiner declares death by heroin overdose. Reg's ex-wife hires Ben to investigate and prove to the insurance company that Reg was not using drugs. Strong language and some violence. 1995.

Belonging RC 41610
by Nancy Thayer
read by Carole Jordan Stewart
3 cassettes
At forty, Joanna Jones hosts a cable television show called *Fabulous Homes*. Ironically, Joanna has never had a true home herself and now lives in a sparsely furnished apartment. When her affair with her married producer results in pregnancy, Joanna reevaluates her life and buys her first home: a 150-year-old house on Nantucket. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1995.

Resurrection Row RC 41611
by Anne Perry
read by Terry Hayes Sales
2 cassettes
Inspector Pitt and his wife, Charlotte, are leaving the theater when a scream from Lady Cantlay summons them. The driver of the cab her husband has hailed is lying dead at their feet. Apparently the person has been dead for several weeks and has been buried and exhumed. The body proves to be that of Lord Augustus Fitzroy-Hammond. But why has someone dug him up? Inspector Pitt is determined to unearth the truth. 1981.

***The Long March* and *In the Clap Shack* RC 41622**
by William Styron
read by Barry Bernson
1 cassette (Reissue)
In *The Long March*, first published in 1952, unwilling soldier Lieutenant Tom Culver tells of military life and a thirty-six-mile forced march at a marine base in the Carolinas in the early 1950s. The play *In the Clap Shack*, 1973, is set in a Marine Corps urological ward in 1943. Private Wally Magruder is told he has almost incurable syphilis. Strong language and some violence. 1973.

Fine Lines RC 41630
by Jim Lehrer
read by Gary Tipton
1 cassette
Oklahoma is in an uproar. Someone is killing politicians, and the governor wants the One-eyed Mack to find out

who. Meanwhile, Mack is pestered by a museum curator, his wife is being honored for her success in the business world, his son needs attention, and the governor is having problems with the bureau of investigation. But Mack juggles it all until he finds out the shocking truth. 1994.

The Last Debate RC 41638
by Jim Lehrer
read by Brian Conn
2 cassettes
When do journalists cross the line between reporting the news and creating it? In this satire by news anchor Jim Lehrer, a panel of journalists decides to use unsubstantiated reports to grill one of the presidential candidates, knowing it will affect the outcome of the election. Lehrer targets the ethics and sensationalism in journalism and politics. Strong language. 1995.

Scandal RC 41659
by Amanda Quick
read by Susan Nardone
3 cassettes
At twenty-four Emily Faringdon keeps her gambling father and brothers from bankruptcy with her shrewd investment skills. Her hopes for romance were dashed five years ago with a failed elopement. But now she is being wooed by the earl of Blade, who doesn't appear to mind that she is a ruined woman or that she has red hair and wears spectacles. Then she learns of his ulterior motive. Explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 1991.

The Burglar Who Thought He Was Bogart RC 41661
by Lawrence Block
read by Michael Stanton
2 cassettes
Bookstore owner Bernie Rhodenbarr is falling in love with a woman from an obscure European country, but all she wants to do is watch Bogart films. Meanwhile Bernie once again succumbs to the lure of his old calling, burglary. If he steals a portfolio from an apartment, he will receive a share of the profits. His burglary is interrupted, and he learns that his co-conspirator has been killed. What would Bogie do? Strong language. 1995.

The Invisible Circus RC 41686
by Jennifer Egan
read by Nona Pipes
2 cassettes
In 1978, Phoebe O'Connor postpones her plans to attend Berkeley to retrace the trip through Europe that her older sister, Faith, was taking at the time she died eight years ago. Popular Faith was the favorite of their late father, and Phoebe can't believe that her death was intentional. Phoebe, who now looks very much like Faith did, learns the truth from Faith's boyfriend, who is still living in Munich. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1995.

People of the River: The First North Americans, Volume 4 RC 41691
by W. Michael Gear
and Kathleen O'Neal Gear
read by Jim Zeiger
4 cassettes
In the 1300s, in what will become Illinois, the Mound Builders have fallen upon hard times. A drought has caused their corn crop to fail and they have no

way to pay their required tribute to Chief Tharon. Their only hope lies in young priestess Nightshade. Sequel to *People of the Earth (RC 41690)*. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. For senior high and older readers. 1992.

***Walk to the End of the World* and *Motherlines* RC 41694**
by Suzy McKee Charnas
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
3 cassettes
Two novels about the world of young Alldera. After the time of the Wasting, a handful of men rule over a bleak and hostile world, where all women—fems—have been reduced to slavery. Alldera, a fem who endures the brutality of men, bides her time until she can escape to join the free fems in the wastelands. Precedes *The Furies (RC 41695)*. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1989.

The Dark Room RC 41699
by Minette Walters
read by Vanessa Maroney
3 cassettes
British photographer Jinx Kingsley is in trouble. She awakens in a clinic to the news that she tried to kill herself twice after her fiancé left her for her best friend, Meg. Although she has amnesia, Jinx is certain she would not have done this. Now she learns that she is suspected of murder. Strong language and some violence. 1996.

The Sorrow of War: A Novel of North Vietnam RC 41708
by Bao Ninh
read by Mary Kane
2 cassettes
The author, an ex-North Vietnamese soldier, recounts his country's conflict with South Vietnam and the United States, through the eyes of Kien. In 1965, Kien joined a brigade of five hundred men fighting in action they did not begin. By war's end, Kien is one of only ten still alive. With the war over, Kien begins to write, trying to make sense of his survival. Some violence and some strong language. 1993.

The Apprenticeship of Duddy Kravitz RC 41718
by Mordecai Richler
read by Gary Telles
2 cassettes
In the days following World War II, Duddy Kravitz, a teenage boy in Montreal, determines to be somebody. For that, according to his grandfather, he needs to own land. Duddy embarks on his ambitious pursuit, juggling several jobs at a time and using everyone in the process, but he suffers both financial and moral bankruptcy before he reaches his goal. Strong language. 1959.

The First Man RC 41720
by Albert Camus
read by Christopher Walker
2 cassettes
In this fictionalized autobiographical work, withheld from publication for more than thirty years, Camus offers an impressionistic portrait of his childhood in Algeria and vivid characterizations of family members and friends. In the introduction Camus's daughter, Catherine, explains why the family delayed publication of the fragmented draft manuscript at the time of Camus's death in 1960. 1995.

Whispering RC 41728
by Jane Aiken Hodge
read by Corrie James
2 cassettes
When her father found her in "a compromising position," Caterina Gomez, half English, was sent to a Catholic school in England. Now, at her father's request, Caterina is escorted back to Portugal by her cousin Jeremy Craddock, who is seeking a cure for his fainting spells, and by her good friend, Harriet Brown. Napoleon's troops are gone, and at first Caterina is delighted to be home. But she is not pleased when she learns of her father's plans. 1995.

Loveable Katie Lovewell RC 41741
by Emma Goldrick
read by Mary Woods
1 cassette
Nine months after her father's death, Katie Lovewell's life is falling apart. Her father had gambled away her inheritance, and she is in danger of losing her Virginia estate. Plus, she has just learned that her fiancé has been using her house to store drugs! To the rescue come a Washington lawyer and his precocious little girl. A Harlequin novel. Some strong language. 1991.

Enchanted RC 41747
by Elizabeth Lowell
read by Yvonne Fair Tessler
3 cassettes
Simon the Loyal, having once been deeply hurt, vows never to love again. Ariane, too, has been brutally betrayed by the man who was to be her husband. Now she is married to Simon, whose blood was stirred by his first sight of her. They have wed to bring peace to the land, but can they find peace for themselves? Violence and explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

Half the Day Is Night RC 41754
by Maureen F. McHugh
read by Jim Zeiger
3 cassettes
War veteran David Dai comes to the undersea city of Julia to work as bodyguard for Mayla Ling, a high-powered banker. David saves Mayla from terrorists, but he himself comes under suspicion by the police. He hides out in the impoverished lower levels of the city, and both he and Mayla end up looking for a way to escape the enclosed city and reach the surface. Strong language. 1994.

Destiny Mine RC 41761
by Janelle Taylor
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
It is the custom of the Hanueva Indian tribe to make the eldest daughter into a "tiva" if the family has no sons. Thus from the time she is five, Kionee must be hunter and protector for her family. But Kionee is not always comfortable in her role and longs to become a part of the world that has been denied her, especially after she meets Cheyenne warrior Stalking Wolf. Some violence and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1995.

Mister Touch RC 41763
by Malcolm Bosse
read by Jim Zeiger
4 cassettes
A dark tale in which a virus has destroyed civilization, leaving a decayed world of ill people and wild dogs. The Skulls, a group of survivors, is led by Mister Touch, a sleazy Wall Street criminal, who is named for his blindness. He leads a caravan on a dangerous epic

journey to Arizona, where they hope to start a new civilization. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1991.

The Secret of the Villa Mimosa RC 41770
by Elizabeth Adler
read by Yvonne Fair Tessler
3 cassettes
A "Jane Doe," clinging to life, is found in a San Francisco ravine. She survives but has no idea who she is. Calling herself Bea French, she is cared for by psychologist Dr. Phyl Forster. Forster gets Bea a job as a companion to Millie Renwick, who is traveling to France. There, at the Villa Mimosa, Bea's past begins to haunt her. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1995.

The Peculiar People RC 41771
by Jan de Hartog
read by David Hartley-Margolin
2 cassettes
The final novel, covering the 1830s, in a trilogy on the Quakers in the United States. The struggles within the church are chronicled through the lives of Mordecai Monk, who becomes a Society of Friends evangelist, and Lydia Best, an Indiana schoolteacher who champions the rights of Indians and escaped slaves. Sequel to *Lamb's War (RC 15784)* but can stand alone. Some descriptions of sex. 1992.

Blue Rodeo RC 41775
by Jo-Ann Mapson
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Forty-year-old Margaret Yearwood moves to Blue Dog, New Mexico, to establish residency for her sullen teenage son, Peter. Having just lost his hearing from meningitis, Peter is attending a school for deaf children and having nothing to do with his mother. Margaret finds solace in painting and her fifty-two-year-old, slow-talking neighbor Owen Garrett, a recovering alcoholic with his own bad memories. Strong language and explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

One and Only RC 41776
by Barbara Bretton
read by Yvonne Fair Tessler
2 cassettes
Isabelle, the second princess of Perreault, is shocked when her lover, family friend Eric Malraux, asks for her older sister's hand. Isabelle flees to her aunt in New York, where she runs into brash American businessman Daniel Bronson, who had irritated her in Perreault by predicting Malraux's behavior. She must prove to him that she is an independent woman of the 1990s. Strong language, explicit descriptions of sex, and some violence. 1994.

Realtime Interrupt RC 41780
by James P. Hogan
read by David Hartley-Margolin
2 cassettes
Computer scientist Joe Corrigan wakes up in a hospital ward with no memory, apparently the victim of a nervous breakdown after a failed experiment in virtual reality. He tries to rebuild his life but has trouble fitting into his surroundings. When he meets Lilly, a colleague in the ill-fated experiment, she tells him it was not a failure and that they are both trapped in an unreal, computer-simulated world. Some strong language. 1995.

Happy Are the Peace Makers RC 41782
by Andrew M. Greeley
read by Bob Askey
2 cassettes
Irish millionaire James Larkin MacDonaugh dies when a bomb explodes in his study. His wife, Nora Marie MacDonaugh, is the prime suspect since James changed his will in her favor just a week before he died. Chicago Captain Timothy Patrick MacCarthy has agreed to help investigate but has trouble resisting the widow's charm. Fortunately, Bishop Blackwood Ryan comes to his rescue. Strong language. 1993.

Fault Lines RC 41783
by Anne Rivers Siddons
read by Mitzi Friedlander
3 cassettes
While her husband, Pom, runs his Atlanta medical clinic, Merritt Fowler looks after her mother-in-law (Mommee), who has Alzheimer's disease. Their anorexic daughter, Glynn, upset with Mommee's malicious ways and lack of attention from Pom, flees to Hollywood to stay with Merritt's immature actress sister. When Merritt follows, the three females set off on a road trip. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1995.

Love in Another Town RC 41784
by Barbara Taylor Bradford
read by Mitzi Friedlander
1 cassette
Work in amateur theater brings the lighting man, Jake Cantrell, and the set designer, Maggie Sorrell, together. He has moved to this small Connecticut town after separating from the ever-unhappy Amy. Maggie has come here after her divorce and started her own interior design business. Because he is fifteen years younger, they try to ignore their attraction to each other until it becomes clear they are soul mates. Explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1995.

From Potter's Field RC 41785
by Patricia Cornwell
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
Following *Cruel and Unusual (RC 35937)* and *The Body Farm (RC 39105)*, Virginia's chief medical examiner, Dr. Kay Scarpetta, is again working with the FBI to track serial killer Temple Gault. For this killing spree, Gault has linked up with the woman who seduced and framed Scarpetta's computer-expert niece, Lucy, while they worked for the FBI. Strong language, violence, and some descriptions of sex. 1995.

In the Beauty of the Lilies RC 41787
by John Updike
read by Jeremy Gage
4 cassettes
Paterson, New Jersey, 1910. Mary Pickford is making the movie *The Call to Arms* when she faints from the heat. At that same moment a few blocks away, Reverend Clarence Wilmot loses his faith in God. As generations follow, Wilmot's son Theodore substitutes movies for the faith that failed, Theodore's daughter Esther becomes a film star, and her son Clark goes back to religion as a cult member. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1996.

The Adversaries: An American Family Portrait, Book 4 RC 41795
by Jack Cavanaugh
read by John Stratton
3 cassettes
Jeremiah Morgan and Seth Cooper, both preachers, have been friends for years. In fact, their friendship has roots that go back to when their fathers co-founded the Heritage Churches of America. Now their children, Daniel and Sarah, are engaged. But the Civil War keeps them apart, uprooting them from their homes and forcing them to confront a man who is an enemy of both families. Sequel to *The Patriots (RC 41814)*. 1996.

When the Music's Over: My Journey into Schizophrenia RC 41799
by Ross David Burke
read by Graeme Malcolm
2 cassettes
In this young Australian's memoir, fact, fantasy, and delusion mix to reveal the world of schizophrenia. Diagnosed at twenty-one, Burke spent most of his time on drugs, in hospitals, or in jail. At thirty-two, he completed his book and committed suicide, asking his psychology professor to add information about schizophrenia and publish the work. Strong language and explicit descriptions of sex. 1995.

Poseidon's Gold RC 41802
by Lindsey Davis
read by George Holmes
3 cassettes
Set in first-century Rome. Marcus Didius Falco is beset by problems—domestic, romantic, legal, and moral. His apartment was wrecked while he was away. His mother is being blackmailed over a debt supposedly owed by his late brother, and when the blackmailer is killed, Falco becomes the prime suspect. Meanwhile his girlfriend's family is blocking their marriage, and now he may be forced to locate the father he despises for deserting his mother. 1992.

Mr. Vertigo RC 41804
by Paul Auster
read by Christopher Hurt
2 cassettes
In the time of sideshows and hucksters, "Walt the Wonder Boy" is a real magician. He learns to levitate from the mysterious Master Yehudi. As Walt grows up, the stock market rises, "Lucky" Lindbergh takes to the air, and life soars. But what goes up must come down, and puberty ends the levitation show, turning Walt into Mr. Vertigo. Walt must now live life as an ordinary person. Strong language, some violence, and some descriptions of sex. 1994.

The Widows of Broome: An Inspector Napoleon Bonaparte Mystery RC 41808
by Arthur W. Upfield
read by Graeme Malcolm
2 cassettes
The only excuse for the existence of Broome, Australia, is its pearl shell, which now lies maturing and waiting to be picked up. Life in Broome is fairly quiet until two widows are murdered. In a town where everyone knows everyone else's business, residents find it hard to believe that several murders can take place and the murderer not be discovered—until Inspector Bonaparte is called in. 1950.

The Will of the Tribe RC 41809
by Arthur W. Upfield
read by Graeme Malcolm
1 cassette (Reissue)
A corpse is discovered in a crater in the Australian bush and there appears to be no clue as to how it got there. Only half-caste Inspector Bonaparte can penetrate the silence of an aboriginal tribe for the needed information. 1962.

The Bachelors of Broken Hill: An Inspector Napoleon Bonaparte Mystery RC 41810
by Arthur W. Upfield
read by Graeme Malcolm
2 cassettes
It is first known as the Place of Youth. Then silver is discovered, miners begin arriving, and the town becomes Broken Hill. Many more people arrive over the generations, and soon Broken Hill is the third city in the state of New South Wales. Then come Jimmy the Screwsman, Inspector Bonaparte, and the murders of three elderly single men. All signs point to a female killer. 1950.

The Road to Compiègne RC 41811
by Jean Plaidy
read by Laura Giannarelli
2 cassettes
In this sequel to *Louis the Well-Beloved (in process)*, Louis XV's excesses and indifference to the plight of the French people make him the subject of derision instead of adoration. To avoid contact with scornful Paris, he builds the royal road from Versailles to Compiègne. It becomes his road to ruin. Although he sees the mounting anger of the masses, he does nothing to avert the coming bloody revolution. Some descriptions of sex. 1959.

The Gift RC 41835
by T. Davis Bunn
read by Terry Hayes Sales
1 cassette
Grace Mendez, middle aged and very devout, has finally given in and entered the hospital to have her hip operated on. While she is recuperating, Leslie Denton, an independent and ambitious young woman, becomes her roommate. Leslie, who broke her ankle on an escalator and just happened to be rescued by Grace's son, at first has no time for Grace and her love for God. But as the two become friends, each finds herself growing in spirituality. 1994.

A Long Line of Dead Men: A Matthew Scudder Novel RC 41840
by Lawrence Block
read by Ray Foushee
2 cassettes
Each year on the first Thursday in May, an exclusive club of what started out as thirty-one men meet at a restaurant for a meal and to read the names of club members who died during the past year. The surviving member will choose thirty more men to form a new group to continue the pattern. But someone is rushing things: the death rate is suspiciously high. Matthew Scudder investigates. Violence and some strong language. 1994.

The Tiger in the Grass: Stories and Other Inventions RC 41844
by Harriet Doerr
read by Terry Hayes Sales
1 cassette
At eighty-five the author of *Consider This, Señora (RC 38030)* writes "a short account of my long life." Memoir and fiction blend in stories of her childhood in California; her college work, both be-

fore and after her marriage of forty-two years; her children; and her time in Mexico. The title is from her eye doctor, who said, "Don't belittle peripheral vision. That's how we see the tiger in the grass." Bestseller 1995.

Lion's Bride RC 41864
by Iris Johansen
read by Mitzi Friedlander
3 cassettes
In 1188 Thea, embroiderer and slave at the House of Nicholas in Constantinople, runs away rather than be sold to a merchant. She is rescued in the Syrian desert by a surly Scot. Lord Ware is being hunted himself by the Knights Templar, an order of warrior monks that he used to belong to. As Thea recovers in Ware's castle, he struggles with his desire for her in the face of his probable death. Strong language and explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1996.

The Moor's Last Sigh RC 41916
by Salman Rushdie
read by Graeme Malcolm
3 cassettes
As he sits in prison, Moraes "Moor" Zogoiby tells the story of his lineage in great detail—for the longer his tale lasts, the longer he will live. Moor recounts the rise and fall of his spice-merchant family, descendants of Vasco da Gama. He describes their disagreements and thwarted loves, and his happy childhood that ended in an exile decreed by his mother. Some strong language and some violence. Bestseller 1995.

True Colors RC 41917
by Doris Mortman
read by Barbara Caruso
5 cassettes
Isabelle de Luna, whose mother was murdered and whose father was accused of the crime, was raised as a sister to Nina Duran, who was adopted as a baby by the Durans. When Nina learns the truth about her past, she flees to New York, becoming a TV celebrity. Isabelle becomes a world-renowned artist. Both women are haunted by a past that must be understood before they can find true love. Strong language and explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1994.

Simisola RC 41923
by Ruth Rendell
read by Graeme Malcolm
2 cassettes
Inspector Reginald Wexford likes to think he is liberal minded. He has no problem consulting a Nigerian physician, Dr. Akande, but his assumptions about race, class, and sex are challenged when Akande asks him to look for the doctor's missing daughter. Wexford not only discovers several dead women, he finds that they are mysteriously linked. Some strong language. 1995.

The Mountains of Majipoor RC 41925
by Robert Silverberg
read by J.P. Linton
1 cassette
Hoping to redeem his honor and regain the good graces of the Coronal, young Harpirias agrees to lead an expedition to the ice mountains of Majipoor to rescue a group of scientists who have been taken hostage by King Toikella of the Othinor. Led by Korinaam the Shapeshifter, Harpirias faces blizzards, strange beasts, and barbaric tribesmen in carrying out his mission. Sequel to *Valentine Pontifex (RC 20572)*. Some descriptions of sex. 1995.

The Quiet Cowboy RC 41933
by Jack Curtis
read by John Stratton
1 cassette
Wes Bengard and his Paiute partner, Red (whose specialty is making desserts), are mustang ranchers in Nevada. Their monthly trips to town yield the latest gossip, usually concerning Beecher Turnbull, suspected of shooting men on public range outside his ranch. Now a local man is a victim and tempers are flaring. There is also talk that Turnbull's wife (whom Wes pines for) is attracted to Turnbull's brother. Violence and strong language. 1994.

Before Lunch RC 41939
by Angela Thirkell
read by Patricia Kilgarriff
2 cassettes
Satire on English "county" life prior to World War II. John Middleton of Laverings Farm likes to think of himself as a gentleman farmer. He and his wife, Catherine, are besieged by his sister, Mrs. Stoner, and her stepchildren, who have come to stay for a while in the White House on the estate. But the visit becomes the least of their worries when they learn someone wants to build a teashop and garage on nearby land. 1940.

Marrying Stone RC 41958
by Pamela Morsi
read by Michele Schaeffer
2 cassettes
In 1902 Meggie Best lives with her father and her brother, Simple Jesse, on their farm outside the Ozark town of Marrying Stone. When J. Monroe Farley (Roe) arrives one day with a Harvard fellowship to study mountain music, Meggie thinks he is her fairytale prince. After Roe sets her straight, Meggie is distraught to learn that her father and brother have invited him to stay with them for the summer. Explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

The Franchise Affair RC 41960
by Josephine Tey
read by Anne Flosnik
2 cassettes (Reissue)
A pang of malaise surprises the middle-aged solicitor, Robert Blair. He does not ponder the cause long before he receives a frantic call from Marion Sharpe. Scotland Yard is investigating a claim that she and her mother abducted and imprisoned Betty Kane in their attic. As improbable as Miss Kane's story is, she describes the Sharpe home, the Franchise, in detail. Blair turns sleuth to investigate and, he hopes, to find justice. 1949.

The Great Impersonation RC 41966
by E. Phillips Oppenheim
read by Vanessa Maroney
2 cassettes
While in German East Africa, Baron Leopold von Ragastein meets an Englishman, Sir Everard Dominey, who is nearly his double. When von Ragastein is ordered back to England, where he was educated, he takes the identity of Dominey to become a German spy among the British aristocracy. Von Ragastein depends on Dominey's fondness for drink to ensure the Englishman will stay in Africa. The espionage becomes treacherous as World War I breaks out. 1919.

Plain Jane RC 41970
by Eve Horowitz
read by Michele Schaeffer
2 cassettes
Jane Singer wonders about her family and why it is that she wants to be close to them when she knows what would be best for her. Why, for instance, is her wild sister, Caroline, about to marry an Orthodox Jew? And why is her little brother, Willy, a habitual liar? But then, why is she working at a job that is beneath her abilities, and why is she engaged to a man she doesn't love? Will this nice Jewish girl find some answers? Some strong language. 1992.

Born in Shame RC 41996
by Nora Roberts
read by Mary Woods
2 cassettes
The Concannon sisters, Maggie and Brianna, *Born in Fire (RC 39873)* and *Born in Ice (RC 41122)*, finally meet the half-sister they recently discovered. Shannon Bodine, having just learned her true father was an Irishman, accepts the offer to travel to Ireland to learn about her roots. It is there Shannon begins to dream of storms, white horses, and a circle of standing stones. Explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. Bestseller 1996.

Contagion RC 41998
by Robin Cook
read by Jim Zeiger
3 cassettes
After huge health-care conglomerate AmeriCare puts ophthalmologist Jack Stapleton out of business, he retrains to be a medical examiner. A few years later, Jack examines a patient who died of pneumonic plague caught in a New York AmeriCare hospital. Jack's glee over AmeriCare's problem is coupled with mounting concern as more patients die of viruses. Some violence. Bestseller 1995.

Guilty as Sin RC 42045
by Tami Hoag
read by L.J. Ganser
4 cassettes
In this sequel to *Night Sins (RC 40834)*, Deer Lake, Minnesota, is still in an uproar over a child's abduction. Although one man has been charged, county attorney Ellen North and the police chief are searching for an accomplice, and North is reluctant to discuss the case with the media. Strong language, violence, and some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1996.

The Weatherman RC 42046
by Steve Thayer
read by Nick Sullivan
3 cassettes
A Minnesota woman is killed each season just before a major weather disturbance. The police come to suspect weatherman Dixon Bell, but Bell's colleague, investigative producer Rick Beanblossom, who wears a mask to hide a face destroyed in Vietnam, thinks Bell is innocent. Strong language, violence, and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1995.

Morality Play RC 42047
by Barry Unsworth
read by Graeme Malcolm
1 cassette
Depicts the sordid life of fourteenth-century England. A fugitive priest joins a ragtag troupe of traveling players. In the next town, a girl stands accused of murdering a boy. As the players reenact the foul deed, they discover the true

story—at their own peril. Bestseller 1995.

The Lady with the Hat RC 42048
by Uri Orlev
read by Ken Kliban
1 cassette
In 1947 Yulek, the only concentration camp survivor of his family, returns home to Poland before traveling to Israel. He learns his Aunt Malka is looking for him. Yulek's account of his journey to Israel is interwoven with Aunt Malka's report on her search for Yulek. For junior and senior high readers. 1990.

That Camden Summer RC 42049
by LaVyrle Spencer
read by Catherine Byers
2 cassettes
In the early 1900s, divorcée Roberta Jewett, returning to her childhood home in Maine with her three daughters, is talked about and shunned by the community. Even Roberta's mother is ashamed of her. Then Roberta develops a friendship with the man repairing her home, and the neighbors are up in arms. Bestseller 1996.

Green Mars RC 42050
by Kim Stanley Robinson
read by John Stratton
5 cassettes
At the beginning of the twenty-second century, the face of Mars is changing as efforts to terraform make the planet more liveable for human colonizers. But the people of Mars are a diverse and passionate lot ranging from the radical, environmental Reds to recent emigrants from Earth, all of whom must manage to put aside their differences to attain planetary independence. Sequel to *Red Mars (RC 36318)*. Some strong language. 1994.

The Looking Glass War RC 42056
by John Le Carré
read by John Horton
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Leclerc heads a London espionage department that has become almost obsolete since World War II. Yet he is determined to return the unit to its full potential. His plan is to train a former agent for a mission into East Germany. But one agent has already been killed. Does Leclerc dare risk the lives of other men for a mission that may be doomed? Strong language and some violence. 1965.

The Blue Afternoon RC 42059
by William Boyd
read by Barbara Caruso
2 cassettes
Love, murder, and medicine under steamy Manila skies in 1902. Salvador Carriscant tells his life story to his newfound daughter. He was a prominent surgeon when he fell in love with a married patient, Delphine. The murder of her husband brought a tragic end to their affair. Now, in 1936, he and his daughter search for Delphine. Strong language and explicit descriptions of sex. Winner of the 1995 *Los Angeles Times* Book Prize for fiction. 1993.

White Boys and River Girls: Stories RC 42060
by Paula K. Gover
read by Robin Miles
2 cassettes
Nine stories illuminating the lives of ordinary people, many barely adult, making their way in the world. In the title story, asphalt-layer Donnie is fixated on Yolanda, an introspective artist quite

different from his usual shallow blond. Light-skinned enough to grow up as "white trash," she makes him face his prejudice. Strong language, explicit descriptions of sex, and some violence. 1995.

Pictures at Eleven RC 42063
by Norman Spinrad
read by Christopher Hurt
3 cassettes
Toby Inman, news anchor for KLAX in Los Angeles, is just finishing the six o'clock news when the station is invaded by members of the Green Army Commandos. The ecoterrorists plan to blow up the station and everyone in it unless they are allowed to broadcast their demands on television. For good measure, they have sprinkled the explosives with enough plutonium to make Los Angeles uninhabitable for a long time. Strong language and violence. 1994.

Neanderthal RC 42086
by John Darnton
read by Gregory Gorton
3 cassettes
A series of disappearances and murders in the mountains of northern Asia signals that something has gone wrong with an extraordinary scientific expedition. Dispatched to investigate the matter, two academic rivals encounter a world of primeval creatures who provide a link to human origins. Bestseller 1996.

Rule of the Bone RC 42091
by Russell Banks
read by Christopher Walker
2 cassettes
The summer Chappie becomes fourteen is a turning point in his life, but not a good one. He is heavy into weed and doesn't have money to buy it, so he steals from his mother and stepfather. Chappie moves in with some bikers, gets a crossed-bone tattoo, and adopts the name Bone. Eventually Bone meets I-Man, a Jamaican migrant farmworker who has a dramatic effect on his life. Strong language and some violence. For senior high readers. 1995.

Under the Beetle's Cellar RC 42093
by Mary Willis Walker
read by Kimberly Schraf
3 cassettes
Claiming the end of the world is near, Samuel Mordecai and his heavily armed group have kidnapped school-bus driver Walter Demming and eleven children. During the fifty days the hostages are kept in an underground pit, Vietnam vet Demming rallies them with stories and trains them in defense. Meanwhile, journalist Molly Cates searches for Mordecai's birth mother, hoping she will negotiate with the cult leader. Strong language and violence. 1995.

The Night Room RC 42106
by E.M. Goldman
read by Gary Telles
1 cassette
Ira is thrilled that both he and the girl he has a crush on, Sandra, are among the seven high school students chosen to participate in a university virtual reality experiment. They will visit their ten-year high school reunion and learn about their probable futures. During the session, the students are shocked to discover that Sandra will kill herself—the very month the experiment is conducted. For senior high and older readers. 1995.

And This Too Shall Pass RC 42209
by E. Lynn Harris
read by J.P. Linton
3 cassettes
Lives of four African American professionals intersect in Chicago. Zurich is an NFL quarterback. Sean is a gay journalist who covers Zurich. Mia, a sports anchor, is attracted to Zurich. And Tamela, an attorney, represents him when an accusation threatens his career. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1996.

Books for Children

Books listed in this issue of *Talking Book Topics* were recently sent to cooperating libraries. The complete collection contains books by many authors on fiction and nonfiction subjects, including animals, geography, nature, mystery, sports, and others. Contact your cooperating library to learn more about the wide range of books available in the collection.

Cassette books are labeled with the code RC and play at 15/16 ips. To order books, fill out the order form and send it to your cooperating library.

Cassettes Nonfiction

The World of Animals RC 39913
by Desmond Morris
read by Ray Dizefalo
1 cassette
Because people often have false impressions of wild animals, the author looks closely at some of the most popular animals, including bears, dolphins, giraffes, wolves, gorillas, and tigers. He gives a realistic account of how these animals live, what they look like, where they sleep, what they eat, how they raise their families, and how many are left in the world. For grades 4-7. 1993.

Living Fossils RC 39926
by Cass R. Sandak
read by Miriam Wagner
1 cassette
Fossils are usually thought to be the remains of dead things. Living fossils, however, are organisms that developed in very ancient times and have remained relatively unchanged. Some living fossils are well-known species such as cockroaches and opossums. Others are rare survivors like the ginkgo tree and the horseshoe crab. The author discusses evolution and animals and plants that are living fossils. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 1992.

Christmas in the Big House, Christmas in the Quarters RC 40586
by Patricia C.
and Fredrick L. McKissack
read by Chuck Young
1 cassette
It's 1859. The Virginia plantation is getting ready for Christmas. The Big House is clean, the tree decorated, the fireplace lit, and food prepared. Visitors will be welcomed, carols sung, stories told, and gifts unwrapped. There will be talk about war. Meanwhile, preparations in the Quarters are for singing, dancing, eating, and family reunions.

The slaves talk about freedom. For grades 3-6. 1994.

Thanksgiving: Stories and Poems
RC 41604
edited by Caroline Feller Bauer
read by Janis Gray
1 cassette
"Be thankful for noses on Thanksgiving Day" is just one of the many thoughts in this bountiful book of poems, stories, and even two recipes celebrating the all-American holiday. "The Ballad of the *Mayflower*" sets the scene of Pilgrims and Indians, "The Thanksgiving Day Parade" sends the giant balloons aloft, and "To Friendship" toasts those near and dear. For grades 2-4. 1994.

The Excretory System RC 41613
by Alvin Silverstein and others
read by Patricia McDermott
1 cassette (Reissue)
An introduction to the excretory system showing the cooperation of the lungs, skin, and urinary and digestive systems. Discusses the waste a body creates, the function of the kidneys, how urine is formed, excretion through the skin, and excretion through the digestive tract. Contains a glossary of terms relating to the excretory system. For grades 5-8. 1994.

The Digestive System RC 41619
by Alvin Silverstein and others
read by Patricia McDermott
1 cassette (Reissue)
A look at the digestive system. Authors discuss why we need the the food we eat and the importance of a balanced diet; the functions of the stomach, small intestines, pancreas, and liver; and how the body gets rid of waste. Contains glossary of related terms. For grades 5-8. 1994.

Conserving Energy RC 41834
by Donna Bailey
read by Janis Gray
1 cassette
Presenting facts such as a child sitting quietly uses about the same amount of energy as a sixty-watt light bulb, Bailey explains how we can reduce the waste of energy in our homes and in transportation. Energy sources are fossil fuels (oil, natural gas, or coal) and hydroelectric or nuclear generators. No matter where it comes from, the total amount of energy on earth stays the same, although it can change forms. For grades 3-6. 1991.

Nathaniel Willy, Scared Silly RC 41843
retold by Judith Mathews
and Fay Robinson
read by Andy Chappell
1 cassette
Nathaniel Willy lives with his Gramma in the country. One night after Gramma kisses Nathaniel good night and closes the door, Nathaniel thinks he hears a ghost. To stop him from being scared, Gramma brings in the cat, then the dog, then the pig, and even the cow, but Nathaniel still hears the ghost. For preschool-grade 2. 1994.

Wasting Water RC 41853
by Donna Bailey
read by Janis Gray
1 cassette
Taking a shower instead of a bath can save about sixteen gallons of water. Imagine you had to carry the water you use, about eighty gallons a day, from a well, as is done in some countries. This book explains how fresh water is made by nature, how water is needed and used, how treatment plants provide clean water, and what we all can do to

reduce the waste of water and help protect the environment. For grades 3-6. 1991.

Places of Refuge: Our National Wildlife Refuge System RC 41865
by Dorothy Hinshaw Patent
read by Butch Hoover
1 cassette
In 1903, President Theodore Roosevelt, concerned about the effects on native birds of fashion's craze for feathers, began the National Wildlife Refuge System by setting aside Pelican Island in Florida as a sanctuary for birds. By the mid-1990s, there were about 470 refuges in the United States and its territories. The author discusses the system's purposes, management, problems, and future. For grades 4-7 and older readers. 1992.

All about Basketball RC 41929
by George Sullivan
read by Christopher Hurt
1 cassette
A basic guide to the fast-paced game of basketball. Chapters include a history of the sport, descriptions of the fouls and penalties, basic skills needed, and the positions played. Reference information includes lists of college and professional teams and divisions, as well as a glossary of basketball terms. Brief biographies of nine players include Michael Jordan and Magic Johnson. For grades 5-8. 1991.

Wolf Cub Scout Book RC 41935
by Boy Scouts of America
read by Christopher Hurt
1 cassette (Reissue)
This handbook for the first phase of Cub Scouting explains the requirements for completing the Wolf achievements and electives. Also includes requirements for the initial Bobcat badge. For grades 2-4. 1986.

The Big Bear Cub Scout Book RC 41936
by Boy Scouts of America
read by Christopher Hurt
1 cassette (Reissue)
This handbook for the second phase of Cub Scouting explains the requirements for completing the Bear achievements and electives. For grades 2-4. 1984.

Sovietrek: A Journey by Bicycle across Russia RC 41940
by Dan Buettner
read by Ken Kliban
1 cassette
In 1990, the last full year of the Soviet Union's existence, two Americans and two Soviets cycled across the southern part of Russia, a distance of 7,353 miles. Buettner, one of the cyclists, describes the people they met, the places they visited, and the problems they encountered on their journey, which began on the western border and continued through thirteen time zones to Vladivostok. For grades 5-8. 1994.

Rascal RC 41995
by Sterling North
read by Erik Sandvold
1 cassette (Reissue)
Although his life is full with a Saint Bernard, a family of skunks, a raucous crow, and an unfinished canoe, Sterling is captivated by a tiny raccoon kit he names Rascal. The ingenious animal quickly takes over the house and Sterling's heart but also makes enemies by stealing corn and raiding chicken coops. Until he gets too big, Rascal shares many adventures with Sterling in the Wisconsin countryside. For grades 4-7. 1963.

Everglades RC 42052
by Jean Craighead George
read by Christopher Hurt
1 cassette
George, a naturalist, describes life in the Everglades through the eyes of a storyteller who takes five children there. The storyteller describes the grass, orchids, trees, birds, panthers, and snakes that once made the area beautiful. When the children ask what happened to the flora and fauna, the storyteller explains what humans have done and what can be done to save the Everglades. For grades K-3 and older readers. 1995.

I Can Tell by Touching RC 42073
by Carolyn Otto
read by Christopher Hurt
1 cassette
A little boy describes how he always knows exactly where he is because he can feel. He feels his back against the chair and his elbows on the solid kitchen table, and he slides his hands over the smooth polished wood. As he goes through his day, the boy continues to feel everything around him. He also explains how to test your ability to feel. For grades K-3. 1994.

Small Talk: A Book of Short Poems RC 42076
selected by Lee Bennett Hopkins
read by Gordon Gould
1 cassette
Collection of more than thirty very short poems whose subjects include spring, rain, caterpillars, the city, growing up, winter days, wet socks, and silence. For grades 2-5. 1995.

Braving the New World, 1619–1784: From the Arrival of the Enslaved Africans to the End of the American Revolution RC 42090
by Don Nardo
read by Bob Moore
1 cassette
Beginning with a discussion of slave use on sugar plantations in the Caribbean and South America, Nardo then explains how slaves were brought to the New World in 1619 to work on cotton plantations and as replacements for the dwindling number of indentured servants. Includes a chronological list of events from 1619 to 1784. For grades 6-9. 1995.

Cassettes Fiction

Breaking Free RC 40067
by LouAnn Gaeddert
read by Chuck Young
1 cassette
In 1800, as Richard nears twelve, the aunt who has been raising him dies. At her funeral, an uncle Richard never met before insists that Richard move to his farm in New York to help with the work. Wanting desperately to go back to school, Richard is careful not to excel at any chores so his uncle won't think him useful. As he plans his own way out, he also works on an escape for the slaves on his uncle's farm. For grades 3-6. 1994.

The Best School Year Ever RC 40069
by Barbara Robinson
read by Barbara Rappaport
1 cassette
In this sequel to *The Best Christmas Pageant Ever (RC 38118)*, the six Herdman children are still terrorizing their Woodrow Wilson School classmates.

Beth, who is in the same grade as Imogene Herdman, is worried about this year's big assignment: coming up with compliments for every person in the class. What in the world can she say about Imogene? For grades 3-6. 1994.

Wish on a Unicorn RC 40501
by Karen Hesse
read by Celeste Lawson
1 cassette
Sixth-grader Mags has a lot of responsibility. Her mother works at night, and Mags has to take care of eight-year-old Hannie, who is brain damaged, and six-year-old Mooch, who steals food. On the way home from school one day, Hannie spots a stuffed unicorn in a field and insists on keeping it. It may be old and dirty, but Hannie is sure it is magic. Perhaps she is right, because life begins to look better for the family. For grades 6-9. 1991.

A Taste of Smoke RC 40637
by Marion Dane Bauer
read by Susan McInerney
1 cassette
Thirteen-year-old Caitlin goes camping with her college-aged sister, Pam. Before they enter the park, they stop off at a museum to learn about the Hinckley fire that destroyed a whole town about a century earlier. But when Pam's boyfriend shows up at the campsite, Caitlin feels left out until she meets Frank, the ghost of one of the boys who died in the fire. And before he disappears, he gives Caitlin a gentle kiss. For grades 5-8. 1993.

Your Mother Was a Neanderthal RC 40670
by Jon Scieszka
read by Ray Hagen
1 cassette
Sam, Joe, and Fred, the Time Warp Trio who first appeared in *Knights of the Kitchen Table (RC 36216)*, travel back to the Stone Age and are immediately in trouble. First, they're completely naked (Sam still has his hat and Fred his glasses) and, second, they no longer have *The Book* that enables them to travel in time. They have plenty of other problems, too, with cavegirls and a woolly mammoth. For grades 3-6 and older readers. 1993.

Cara's Beach Party Disaster RC 41477
by Elaine L. Schulte
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
1 cassette
Cara Hernandez can't understand why her seventeen-year-old half sister, Paige, is so mean to her. Paige has even caused the members of the Twelve Candles Club to be upset with Cara. But the Christian club members are quick to forgive Cara, and she takes a lesson from this. Maybe she should try to please God and learn to forgive. Meanwhile the club continues to raise money working at parties, babysitting, and washing cars. For grades 3-6. 1993.

Double Trouble for Jess McColl! RC 41490
by Elaine L. Schulte
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
1 cassette
Jess McColl and her four friends belong to the Twelve Candles Club and do odd jobs to raise money. This summer Jess and Melanie are going to Israel as babysitters on a tour. Jess's father, who re-

cently became a Christian, and Jess's mother are going too. Mrs. McColl wants Jess to concentrate less on gymnastics and more on becoming glamorous, but Jess turns her attention to learning about Christ. For grades 3-6. 1995.

Jess and the Fireplug Caper RC 41494
by Elaine L. Schulte
read by Pam Ward
1 cassette
Jess and the other members of the Twelve Candles Club are at Jess's house trying on their new clown costumes when they hear strange noises coming from the backyard. Then they get a phone call but the caller just hangs up, and the car alarm in Jess's mother's car goes off. What is going on? For grades 3-6. 1992.

The Great Brain Is Back RC 41605
by John D. Fitzgerald
read by Gary Tipton
1 cassette
In this final book about the Great Brain (the manuscript was found after the author's death), J.D. narrates eight more tales about how his big brother, Tom, now thirteen, continues to swindle people out of their money. Tom convinces J.D. to sell bars of soap, he almost outwits Polly Reagan in the spelling bee, and he helps rescue a gang of outlaws. For grades 4-7. 1995.

O the Red Rose Tree RC 41615
by Patricia Beatty
read by Kerry Cundiff
1 cassette (Reissue)
Amanda and her friends attempt to find seven different shades of special red cloth so that old Mrs. Hankinson can make the quilt of her dreams. The girls' search leads them to Dr. Perkins's red flannel chest protector and to a visiting opera star's red petticoat. For grades 5-8. 1972.

The Case of the Weeping Witch: A McGurk Fantasy RC 41620
by E.W. Hildick
read by John Polk
1 cassette
Jack P. McGurk and his classmates are studying the Puritans, and Ms. Ellis has encouraged the students to do some research at the library. Soon the members of the McGurk Organization find themselves back in 1692 where they try to help a thirteen-year-old girl who has been charged with witchcraft. Then they are accused of being witches themselves. For grades 3-6. 1992.

Eclipse RC 41621
by Kristine L. Franklin
read by Madelyn Buzzard
1 cassette
Trina is looking forward to a happy summer with her best friend, Miranda, before they enter the seventh grade. But even before they finish the sixth grade, things begin to go wrong. Trina's father has lost his job and becomes so depressed that he has to go to the hospital. The calf the family hoped to sell is born deformed and has to be killed. And Trina worries about the baby her forty-eight-year-old mom is expecting. For grades 6-9. 1995.

Brer Tiger and the Big Wind RC 41628
by William J. Faulkner
read by Jack Fox
1 cassette
In olden days, the creatures of the forest used to plant crops just like menfolks. But one year, no rain came and the crops did not grow, so the creatures of the forest were hungry. There was one place where there was food and

water, but it was guarded by Brer Tiger who said he would eat up anyone who tried to get his food. Then Brer Rabbit came up with an idea! For grades K-3. 1995.

Three Perfect Peaches: A French Folktale RC 41629
retold by Cynthia DeFelice
and Mary DeMarsh
read by Carole Jordan Stewart
1 cassette
Long ago there lived a red-haired princess who had freckles on her face. One day she awoke not feeling well and discovered the color of her hair and the freckles on her face were fading. Very quietly she wished for three perfect May peaches to make her well. The king then promised her hand in marriage to the person who could bring her three perfect peaches. For grades K-3. 1995.

Moominpappa at Sea RC 41674
by Tove Jansson
read by Ed Blake
1 cassette
Moominpappa is tired of living in the valley where his family's house floated after the flood. He has decided to move to a tiny island in the sea that has an empty lighthouse on it—and lots of room. Also living on the island is a peculiar, silent fisherman and the awful Groke. Moominpappa soon begins to wonder why the sea acts so strangely. For grades 4-7. 1966.

Comet in Moominland RC 41675
by Tove Jansson
read by Ed Blake
1 cassette
The Moomin family has been living in the valley since their house floated there during the big flood. Moomintroll and his friend Sniff enjoy exploring the valley where they make lots of discoveries. But strange things are happening, and when Muskrat comes to the Moomin house looking for shelter during a storm, he informs them that a comet is coming. For grades 4-7. 1959.

Bridesmaid Blues for Becky RC 41744
by Elaine L. Schulte
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
1 cassette
The members of the Twelve Candles Club notice that Becky Hamilton is not her usual self. Becky's mother is planning to marry Mr. Bradshaw, and Becky hopes to stop the wedding. Becky's father died two years ago, and she can't see how her mother could ever love anyone else. But Becky's friends and her faith in God eventually help her understand. For grades 3-6. 1994.

Getting Something on Maggie Marmelstein RC 41779
by Marjorie Weinman Sharmat
read by Erik Sandvold
1 cassette (Reissue)
Thad Smith makes the mistake of calling classmate Maggie Marmelstein a mouse because she has a squeaky voice. So when Maggie catches Thad cooking, she threatens to spread her discovery around school. Thad knows he has to get something equally embarrassing on Maggie before she ruins his reputation. For grades 4-7. 1971.

Before the Storm RC 41826
by Jane Yolen
read by Lindsay Ellison
1 cassette
On a hot summer day, the only thing worth playing with is the hose. A boy and his sister, brother, and dog forget about the heat as they frolic in the

water. But when it starts to rain, the boy is soon wishing for the hot sun again. For grades K-3. 1995.

Stacy Had a Little Sister RC 41827
by Wendie C. Old
read by Miranda Daniloff
1 cassette
Stacy is not very happy with her new sister, Ashley. Ashley gets too much attention, and she isn't any fun yet. But one night Ashley dies in her crib and Stacy misses her. Stacy's parents explain Sudden Infant Death Syndrome to her. For preschool-grade 2. 1995.

The Dinosaur That Followed Me Home RC 41836
by Bruce Coville
read by Gary Tipton
1 cassette
Stuart Glassman had such an unusual adventure at Camp Haunted Hills last summer that he is not planning to go again. But when he receives an invitation from Harry Housen, the special effects genius at the movie camp, Stuart can't resist. Soon Stuart, his friend Brenda Connors, and her cousin Winston are involved in a new movie that transports them into the past. For grades 3-6. 1990.

Grandaddy's Place RC 41842
by Helen V. Griffith
read by Jill Fox
1 cassette
Georgia Music (RC 25639) describes the music Janetta and her grandfather heard in the sounds of the country. Now Janetta describes her first meeting with her grandfather. Janetta and her mother take a long train ride out of the city to an old farm. But when they arrive, Janetta is not happy with what she sees—a mean looking cat, a hive of wasps, and a giant animal that chases her. For preschool-grade 2. 1987.

My Two Uncles RC 41855
by Judith Vigna
read by Carole Jordan Stewart
1 cassette
Elly has two uncles, but only Uncle Ned, her father's brother, is her real uncle. Uncle Phil is Uncle Ned's friend. Grampy and Gran's fiftieth anniversary is coming, and Elly and Uncle Ned have made them a diorama. Elly is upset when she learns that Grampy will not allow Uncle Phil to come to the party. Elly's dad says that some men love each other the way Elly's mom and dad do and that some people are uncomfortable with gay couples. For grades 2-4. 1995.

You Cheat! RC 41866
by Jamie Gilson
read by Bruce Huntey
1 cassette
Nathan and his brother, Hank, live eight stories up in the city, but right now they are visiting Aunt Paula in the country. Hank is bored and just plays with his video game, while Nathan learns to fish. After Hank beats Nathan at the card game Go Fish, Nathan challenges him to really go fishing. For grades K-3. 1992.

Arthur's New Puppy RC 41874
by Marc Brown
read by Andy Chappell
1 cassette
Arthur has a new puppy named Pal, and they love each other very much. But Pal is a very naughty puppy, and Arthur is in danger of losing him if Arthur doesn't get Pal to behave. For preschool-grade 2. 1993.

Jingo Django RC 41875
by Sid Fleischman
read by Gary Tipton
1 cassette (Reissue)
Jingo has been in an orphanage for seven years when a man offers two hundred dollars for him. The man tells Jingo he wants help in finding Jingo's father, but Jingo secretly decides to lead the man on a wild-goose chase that will put them in gold country. For grades 4-7. 1971.

George Washington's Cows RC 41884
by David Small
read by Andy Chappell
1 cassette
George Washington's cows wear lavender gowns and have to be begged to give milk. His hogs are happy to work when the servants are sick, and his sheep are very smart. Washington soon begins to think he should leave the farm and look for another job. For grades K-3 and older readers. 1994.

Apple Juice Tea RC 41885
by Martha Weston
read by Janis Gray
1 cassette
When Polly's Gran comes to visit for the first time, Polly is unhappy. Gran wants to do things with Polly, but Polly doesn't know her at all. Finally, when Polly's parents go out and leave Polly and Gran alone, Polly discovers Gran is fun to be with. For preschool-grade 2. 1994.

The Watsons Go to Birmingham—1963 RC 41921
by Christopher Paul Curtis
read by Christopher Hurt
1 cassette
The whole "Weird Watson" family drives from Michigan to visit Grandma Sands in Alabama. She is the only one who can put some sense into the head of Kenny's older brother, Byron, who acts up just too many times. The kids have never been to the South, where they experience segregation and racism. The family's sense of humor helps, but life there holds serious problems. Some strong language. For grades 5-8. Newbery Honor Book. 1995.

Nibble, Nibble, Jenny Archer RC 41924
by Ellen Conford
read by Nona Pipes
1 cassette
Jenny Archer and her friend Wilson are waiting for Wilson's mother in the shopping mall when they see a woman giving away free samples. Although the brown, green, and yellow pellets taste unusual, Jenny doesn't want to hurt the woman's feelings. As Jenny proclaims the snack delicious and nutritious, a woman with a video camera announces Jenny will star in a rather surprising commercial! For grades 2-4. 1993.

The Brave Little Bunny RC 41930
by Linda Jennings
read by Catherine Byers
1 cassette
Millie is a lop-eared rabbit who lives in a hutch with her brothers and sisters. But she longs to explore the outside world. Millie's chance comes one day when someone leaves the door open. She scampers across the yard, under a hedge, and straight into the path of a fox. What will Millie do now? For preschool-grade 2. 1995.

Belling the Tiger RC 41941
by Mary Stolz
read by Catherine Byers
1 cassette
The house mice get together and decide

to bell the house cat (not realizing that many mice have tried this and failed). They pick small twin mice, Bob and Ozzie, to be the heroes. The brothers find a cat collar with a bell, but before they can complete their mission, they are chased onto a ship and sail away. In a faraway land, Bob and Ozzie find the biggest cat they've ever seen—and decide to bell it. For grades 3-6. Newbery Honor Book. 1961.

A Story, a Story RC 41943
by Gail Haley
read by John Horton
1 cassette (Reissue)
Once upon a time, the world had no stories. This is the tale of how Ananse the spider obtained the Sky God's chest of stories—and how he outwitted and captured three fantasy creatures in order to do so. For grades K-3 and older readers. Caldecott Medal. 1970.

No Foal Yet RC 41955
by Jessie Haas
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
Nora is excited that her Gramp's mare, Bonnie, is going to have a foal. But every morning when Nora wakes up and every afternoon when she races to the barn from the school bus, Bonnie is still pregnant. For grades K-3. 1995.

Plowie: A Story from the Prairie RC 41959
by Patricia Kirkpatrick
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
"A long time ago when there were still horses on the road," a little girl lived with her family on an Iowa prairie farm. One day while she followed her father as he plowed the field, the girl found a porcelain doll in the prairie dirt. The doll, Plowie, became her friend and was later passed down to the girl's grandchildren who now tell the story of Plowie to their own children. For grades K-3. 1994.

The Christmas Teddy Bear RC 41961
by Ivan Gantschev
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
Christmas is only two days away when Ellen and her mother arrive to visit Grandma and Grandpa at the country estate where they work as caretakers. Ellen is hoping to get a teddy bear for Christmas, and so one day before Christmas, Grandpa sets out on the hour-long walk into town to find a teddy bear for Ellen. But on the way home, he gets lost in a snowstorm. For grades K-3. 1992.

Summer's End RC 41963
by Maribeth Boelts
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
Summer is ending, and that means that second grade is almost here. For Jill, there will be no more swimming, baseball, or visits from cousins. But school can mean lots of nice things also, and soon Jill is looking forward to going back. For grades K-3. 1995.

King Kenrick's Splinter RC 41967
by Sally Derby
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
Today is the day King Kenrick gets to lead the Hero's Day parade. But when he jumps out of bed, he yells "Ow!" and quickly sits back down. Poor King Kenrick has a splinter in his big toe. So he hobbles around and gets dressed, but the only shoes he can put on are his slippers. Now what will he do? Will the

splinter come out by itself? Or will the king have to endure the queen's needle and tweezers? For grades K-3. 1994.

Don't Fidget a Feather! RC 41969
by Erica Silverman
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
Duck thinks she is a great swimmer, but one day Gander comes along and challenges her. After they try to outdo each other in swimming and flying, Duck suggests a freeze-in-place contest to determine the "champion of champions." Funny things happen to threaten their concentration, but neither one moves until they are almost thrown into Fox's cooking pot. For preschool-grade 2. 1994.

Chato's Kitchen RC 41971
by Gary Soto
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
Chato, a low-riding cat with six stripes, is sneaking up on a sparrow when he hears noise coming from next door. He peeks through the fence and discovers a family of five fat, juicy mice moving in. Chato gets a wonderful idea—invite them for dinner! Only Chato plans for them to be his dinner. The mice accept Chato's invitation, but bring along a surprise guest. For grades K-3. 1995.

Three Cool Kids RC 41973
by Rebecca Emberley
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
Three goat kids live in the city. They are called Big Cool, Middle Cool, and Little Cool. Although the brothers and sister like the lot they live on, it is becoming run down. They are thinking about moving to a vacant grassy lot across the street, but are afraid to walk by the big rat that everyone says lives behind the sewer grate. For preschool-grade 2. 1995.

In the Land of the Big Red Apple RC 42000
by Roger Lea MacBride
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
1 cassette
In this sequel to *Little Farm in the Ozarks (RC 40672)*, Rose Wilder and her parents endure a cold, icy winter that threatens their young apple orchard. But the year is not all hardship. For her ninth birthday, Rose gets a mule to ride to school and names him Spookendyke. Also, a new love begins for their farmhand, and the Wilders experience the true spirit of giving at Christmas. For grades 3-6. 1995.

The Hundred Dresses RC 42016
by Eleanor Estes
read by Pam Ward
1 cassette
Although Wanda Petronski comes to school each day in a faded blue dress, she tells the other girls that she has a hundred dresses lined up in her closet. Popular Peggy thinks this is hilarious and teases Wanda about it. Peggy's best friend, Maddie, is uneasy about the teasing and feels horrible when Wanda stops coming to school. For grades 3-6. Newbery honor book. 1944.

The Mud Flat Olympics RC 42055
by James Stevenson
read by John Horton
1 cassette
It is time once again for the Mud Flat Olympics! Three moles, Kevin, Kimberly, and old Mr. Crenshaw, prepare for the deepest hole contest. Five snails compete in the all-snail high hurdle. There is even a victory for old Mr.

Tokay, who wins the smelliest skunk contest. And a funny, wonderful time is had by all. For grades 2-4. 1994.

The New King RC 42058
by Doreen Rappaport
read by Ed Blake
1 cassette
When Prince Rakoto's father dies, the young boy is very sad. He orders the powerful men of the village to bring the king back to life, but they cannot. Then the Wise Woman helps Rakoto see that, like the young shoots of the banana tree, he can carry on his father's work, keeping the memory of his father alive. For preschool-grade 2. 1995.

Rhino and Mouse RC 42061
by Todd Starr Palmer
read by John Horton
1 cassette
Rhino is Mouse's best friend, but sometimes Rhino gets on Mouse's nerves. On National Mouse and Rat Day, Rhino buys Mouse a cat, paints his house in polka dots, and makes him breakfast with catsup and hot fudge. For preschool-grade 2. 1994.

The Story of the Three Kingdoms RC 42064
by Walter Dean Myers
read by Ed Blake
1 cassette
Long ago, there were three kingdoms on the earth. Elephant ruled the forest, Shark ruled the sea, and Hawk ruled the air. Each thought his kingdom was the greatest. But then one day there came to earth some new creatures, and they called themselves the People. The People sit by their fire telling stories, and soon Elephant, Shark, and Hawk are no longer the greatest. For grades K-3. 1995.

Cat, You Better Come Home RC 42067
by Garrison Keillor
read by Christopher Hurt
1 cassette
Puff, an elegant cat who demanded to be allowed outside, now refuses to come in even though her owner insists. (After all, it is cold and dark outside, and the dogs are waiting to attack.) But Puff isn't happy with the chow she has to eat. So she runs away to Europe, stars in a cat food commercial, and becomes quite rich. Then early one morning, her owner hears a scratch-scratch-scratch on the windowsill. For grades 2-4 and older readers. 1995.

Egg Monsters from Mars RC 42084
by R.L. Stine
read by Terence Aselford
1 cassette
At twelve, Dana Johnson wants to be a scientist when he grows up. During his little sister's birthday egghunt, Dana finds a very unusual egg—throbbing with veins. When the egg hatches into a creature that looks like scrambled eggs with eyes, Dana rushes it to a small science lab in his neighborhood. Surprisingly the lab owner is not shocked by Dana's discovery—he has a roomful of the egg monsters. For grades 4-6. 1996.

I Hate Company RC 42094
by P.J. Petersen
read by Rick Rohan
1 cassette
Dan hates it when company stays overnight with him and his mother in their apartment because he has to give up his room. Now Mom's newly divorced friend, Kay, is coming with her three-year-old son, Jimmy, and they are staying until Kay finds work. Since Jimmy is even worse than Dan imagined, he de-

cides to help Kay get a job and get out. For grades 2-4. 1994.

The Greatest Show off Earth RC 42096
by Margaret Mahy
read by Margaret Strom
1 cassette
Delphinium, a human calculator and the only girl on Space Station Vulnik, is celebrating her tenth birthday, and she wants to have some fun. Sadly, fun is not allowed on Vulnik because it may cause the return of the Acropola: great, green, mysterious aliens shaped like slugs that slime around sucking up fun-energy. But it may be Delphinium's lucky day as she launches herself and two others into hyperspace and the Wonder Show. For grades 3-6. 1994.

One Brave Summer RC 42102
by Ann Turner
read by Margaret Strom
1 cassette
Katy is just getting used to a new school and house when her mother decides they will spend the summer in a mountain cabin. Certain that she will be bored while her mother writes her novel, Katy has no interest in going. But a red-haired girl named Lena May is waiting for them when they arrive. She is determined that the two girls will have adventures whether careful Katy wants to or not. For grades 2-4. 1995.

Sharing Susan RC 42112
by Eve Bunting
read by Michele Schaeffer
1 cassette
Susan Moretti, twelve, knows something is wrong at home but her parents won't tell her what it is. Finally she learns it's not the divorce she feared—it's something much worse: she was switched at birth at the hospital. The girl who was really her parents' daughter has just died in an accident, and the couple that raised her want to meet Susan. For grades 4-7. 1991.

Foreign Language Books

The following cassette titles are available in the languages designated.

Spanish

El Ninja RC 40867
por Eric van Lustbader
leído por Juan Ramirez
5 cassettes
Novela histórica que relata cómo las tradiciones marciales del Japón encuentran su expresión más alta en el samurai, el guerrero noble. Pero esas tradiciones tienen un lado más oscuro en el culto de los ninja, asesinos implacables que creen en drogas y magia y conocen mil modos furtivos de matar. La historia comienza cuando Nicholas Linnear, mitad oriental, mitad inglés, se relaciona con la hija de un poderoso industrial. (This historical novel tells how the martial traditions of Japan find their highest expression in the Samurai—the noble warrior. But these traditions have a darker side in the cult of the Ninja, remorseless assassins who believe in drugs and magic and know a thousand stealthy ways to kill. The tale opens with half-Oriental, half-English Nicholas Linnear, who becomes involved with the daughter of a powerful industrialist.) 1986.

Tradiciones Peruanas RC 40868
por Ricardo Palma
leído por Juan Ramirez
3 cassettes
El autor peruano del siglo XIX creó un nuevo género de relato corto, llamado "tradición." La tradición se basa en hechos históricos y legendarios del Perú; se caracteriza por el humor, la sátira, la fantasía y la picaresca; y transcurre primordialmente en la época colonial del Perú. Esta colección contiene más de sesenta tradiciones con un prólogo biográfico y analítico de Raimundo Lazo. (The nineteenth-century Peruvian author created a new genre of short story, called the tradition, based on historical facts and legends of Peru. The traditions are characterized by humor, satire, fantasy, and the picaresque and are set mostly during the colonial period of Peru. This collection contains over sixty traditions with a biographical and analytical prologue by Raimundo Lazo.) 1986.

Cuentos del General RC 40869
por Vicente Riva Palacio
leído por Juan Ramirez
2 cassettes
Treinta y siete cuentos y fábulas de humor, ironía y sátira escritos por el militar y político mexicano del siglo XIX. En el cuento "El Buen Ejemplo," un maestro de escuela comprueba el resultado del aprendizaje memorístico, y en la fábula "El Divorcio," varios miembros del reino animal quedan atrapados en medio de una pelea entre el rey y la reina de las bestias. Incluye un prólogo biográfico y analítico. (Thirty-seven humorous, ironic, and satirical short stories and fables by the nineteenth-century Mexican general and statesman. In "The Good Example," a school master sees the unintended result of rote learning, and in "The Divorce," various members of the animal kingdom are caught in the middle of a quarrel between the king and queen of beasts. Includes a biographical and analytical prologue.) 1986.

Mutación RC 40871
por Robin Cook
leído por Juan Ramirez
2 cassettes
El doctor Víctor Frank crea una mutación en el feto de su mujer, produciendo un niño genio antinatural. Sin embargo, Víctor no le dice a su esposa que ha alterado sus genes creando un hijo superinteligente hasta que el experimento comienza a salir mal. Contiene lenguaje injurioso. (Dr. Victor Frank creates a mutation in his and his wife's fetus and produces an unnatural child genius. However, Victor doesn't tell his wife that he has toyed with their genes and created a superintelligent son—until the experiment begins to backfire. Some strong language.) 1990.

Princesa Daisy RC 40873
por Judith Krantz
leído por Maria Pino
5 cassettes
Daisy, hija de un príncipe ruso y una estrella de cine norteamericana, crece con un secreto bien guardado que la persigue durante toda su vida. Pasa unos años felices en una universidad de California, que la conducen a una carrera televisiva en Nueva York. Allí encuentra el amor y también la posibilidad de liberarse y afrontar la verdad. Lenguaje injurioso y descripciones explícitas de índole sexual. (Daisy, the daughter of a White Russian prince and an American

film star, grows up with a long-kept secret that follows her throughout her life. She spends a few happy years in a California college, which lead to a television career in New York. There she finds love and also the freedom to unburden herself and face the truth. Strong language and explicit descriptions of sex.) 1980.

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In Brief

Letter from National Advisory Group

The members of the National Advisory Group on Collection-Building Activities wish to thank their fellow patrons and librarians for their input on the NLS program. Please be assured that your ideas and suggestions were thoroughly discussed and incorporated into the recommendations that the committee made during its deliberations in September 1996. Addition of a recommended book is a time-consuming process because of the many production and quality-checking steps in the audio recording and brailling processes. Do not let these time constraints discourage you from making suggestions.

The NLS National Advisory Group represents you. Please continue to assist us by contacting committee members or your cooperating library with your suggestions. Input from patrons is a key ingredient in the success of our program. The group meets again at NLS on September 10–12, 1997.

Copies of committee recommendations from its last meeting and NLS responses to the suggestions are available upon request by writing to Consumer Relations, National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped, Washington, DC 20542 or by e-mail to nls@loc.gov. Please indicate whether you prefer large-print, audio cassette, or braille format.

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An audio publication giving information on academic financial assistance for disabled students is now available from network libraries. The guide, produced by the U.S. Dept. of Education's Office of Postsecondary Education, is in the form of a conversation between a disabled student and a counselor from the Federal Student Aid Information Center. In their dialog, the student and specialist discuss federal financial aid programs and also talk about state and private sources of funds for eligible students.

For a cassette copy of the publication, contact your cooperating library. For a copy in compact-disc format, write Student Aid Audio Guide, Federal Student Aid Information Center, P.O. Box 84, Washington, DC 20044.

Books for Adults

Books listed in this issue of *Talking Book Topics* were recently sent to cooperating libraries. The complete collection contains books by many authors on fiction and nonfiction subjects, including biographies, classics, gothics, mysteries, romances, and others. Contact your cooperating library to learn more about the wide range of books available in the collection.

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Note: For the information of the reader, a notice may appear immediately following the book description to indicate occurrences of strong language, explicit descriptions of sex, or violence. The word "some" before any of these terms indicates an occasional or infrequent occurrence, as in "some strong language."

Cassettes Nonfiction

Death to Dust: What Happens to Dead Bodies? RC 39021
by Kenneth V. Iserson
read by Michael Stanton
5 cassettes
A medical doctor explores a wide range of questions about past and present customs of dealing with dead bodies. How is a body embalmed? How is a shrunken head prepared? What is death? Are there real cases of premature burials? Organ donation, funerals, autopsies and morgues, cremation, what happens to the mortal remains of famous people, and the cost and environmental impact of dealing with corpses are discussed. 1994.

What Do I Do Now? Talking about Teenage Pregnancy RC 39929
by Susan Kuklin
read by Miriam Wagner
2 cassettes
Stories of teenagers who become pregnant, their families and boyfriends, and the healthcare workers they encounter during their pregnancies. The girls include Nancy, who is pregnant for the second time at thirteen; Melissa, impregnated by date rape, who changes her mind about giving up her baby for adoption; and Roxanne, who opts for abortion. For high school and older readers. 1991.

To Begin Again: Stories and Memoirs, 1908–1929 RC 39941
by M.F.K. Fisher
read by Mimi Bederman
1 cassette
Fisher has assembled a memoir of her first twenty-one years by collecting previously written pieces about her childhood and adolescence. Journal entries from 1927 are mixed with essays written between 1957 and 1992. The development of Fisher's sensibility as a gourmet and a writer can be traced through her reminiscences about family and friends. Followed by *Long Ago in France (RC 35012)*. 1992.

Music as Medicine: Deforia Lane's Life of Music, Healing, and Faith RC 39947
by Deforia Lane and Rob Wilkins
read by Mimi Bederman
2 cassettes
Music therapist Lane explains how her love of music, her religious faith, and her desire to heal led to her chosen career. She describes how she experiences God working through her when she is singing and playing instruments with pa-

tients at a cancer center and a children's hospital. Lane found music therapeutic in her own life when she was diagnosed with breast cancer. 1994.

The Geography of Childhood: Why Children Need Wild Places RC 39950
by Gary Paul Nabhan and Stephen Trimble
read by Phil Regensdorf
2 cassettes
To introduce the effect the natural world has on children, the authors probe their own early discoveries of "wildness." Focusing on many settings for insights into the importance of a child's contact with nature, they note differences in the freedom to explore permitted to boys and to girls and weigh the consequences these differences may have in the children's adult lives. 1994.

The New Complete German Shepherd Dog: Fifth Edition, Completely Revised RC 39956
by Jane G. Bennett
read by Phil Regensdorf
2 cassettes
The German shepherd breed was developed in Germany to produce the fittest dog for herd service—an efficient machine—and aesthetics never became as important as performance. Active with the breed since 1937, Bennett details its history and discusses work at which shepherds excel, including guiding blind people. Provides breed standards, tips on care, and glossaries of terms in English and German. 1982.

Stay Me, Oh Comfort Me: Journals and Stories, 1933–1941 RC 39957
by M.F.K. Fisher
read by Mimi Bederman
2 cassettes
Shortly before her death in 1992, Fisher decided to publish a memoir about the end of her first marriage and her brief, tragic second marriage. She wanted a record of how she felt at the time instead of a version reinterpreted by her older self. Fisher put together unpublished letters, short stories, and excerpts from journals of that period to tell her story. Follows *Long Ago in France (RC 35012)*. 1993.

Being Digital RC 39965
by Nicholas Negroponte
read by Dick Jenkins
2 cassettes
Negroponte explains the digital revolution by combining his knowledge of information technology, a style of writing that has made his column in *Wired* one of the magazine's most popular features, and his ability to envision possibilities for a future considerably changed by computers. 1995.

Willa Cather RC 39968
by Ann T. Keene
read by Anne Mullen
1 cassette
Born in Virginia in 1873, Willa Cather later moved to Nebraska with her homesteading parents. She planned to become a doctor and entered a university, where her talent in writing blossomed. Cather supported herself as a journalist and then as a teacher, as she pursued her desire to write fiction. She published her first book in 1903 and won the Pulitzer Prize for *One of Ours (RC 27930)* in 1923. For junior and senior high readers. 1994.

Helping Yourself Help Others: A Book for Caregivers RC 39973
by Rosalynn Carter
read by Miriam Wagner
2 cassettes
The former first lady, a director of the Rosalynn Carter Institute for Human Development, presents a handbook for those who care for chronically ill or disabled relatives or friends. Based on a study by Caregivers Network in west central Georgia and illustrated with Carter's own experiences, the book identifies issues and offers advice and a list of resources. 1994.

Grandchildren Are So Much Fun, I Should Have Had Them First RC 39976
by Lois Wyse
read by Marilyn Gleason
1 cassette
Wyse, who has a growing collection of grandchildren, offers anecdotes, poems, and stories about grandparenting in the 1990s. She begins with the concept that no one is ever ready to be a grandparent, but no one is able to turn away from that adorable grandchild once it arrives. 1992.

A World of My Own: A Dream Diary RC 39980
by Graham Greene
read by Arnie Warren
1 cassette
Excerpts from diaries that Greene kept between 1965 and 1989 were selected by the author during the final months of his life and published posthumously. Dreams, which sometimes became the inspiration for Greene's short stories, took him to faraway places where he met famous writers, dealt with statesmen and politicians, and experienced moments of danger and fear. 1992.

Fields of Toil: A Migrant Family's Journey RC 40636
by Isabel Valle
read by Gabriella Cavallero
2 cassettes
To overcome misconceptions about migrant workers, the *Walla Walla Union-Bulletin* had a reporter spend a year with the Martinez family. This book is a compilation of her articles. Raul, Maria Elena, and some of their thirteen children spent the winter in their southern Texas home, but most of the year they followed the fruit and vegetable harvest through farms in Oregon and Washington. 1994.

The Edgar Cayce Remedies RC 40685
by William A. McGarey
read by Ralph Lowenstein
2 cassettes (Reissue)
A medical doctor discusses the principles of healing based on the health "readings" of Edgar Cayce, who advised people while in a hypnotic state. 1983.

Marpingen: Apparitions of the Virgin Mary in Nineteenth-Century Germany RC 41254
by David Blackbourn
read by Ted Stoddard
5 cassettes
A Harvard professor documents the July 1876 sighting of the Virgin Mary by three young girls near the town of Marpingen. He probes the authenticity of the visions, analyzes the role of the Virgin Mary in contemporary social and political life, and describes how apparitions were used by the church, the state, and local entrepreneurs. 1993.

Treason in the Blood: H. St. John Philby, Kim Philby, and the Spy Case of the Century RC 41258
by Anthony Cave Brown
read by Steven Carpenter
5 cassettes
A father and son bred in British society both reject it. St. John Philby openly opposed British policy in the Middle East and moved to Saudi Arabia, where he directed his son's life through letters home to England. Kim Philby became a notorious double agent for England and the Soviet Union, also sowing suspicion and confusion in the American CIA. 1994.

Genius in Disguise: Harold Ross of the *New Yorker* RC 41294
by Thomas Kunkel
read by Faith Potts
3 cassettes
A detailed, documented account of the sophisticated magazine's unlikely founder. The son of a Colorado miner, Ross turned to journalism, then came up with the concept that has shaped the urbane magazine since its first issue in 1925. He sought writers like E.B. White, Dorothy Parker, and James Thurber and nurtured their genius in his curmudgeonly quest for excellence. Ross died in 1956. 1995.

Lenin: A New Biography RC 41389
by Dmitri Volkogonov
read by Roy Avers
4 cassettes
The author, a former Soviet general and military historian and later chair of Russia's archives, assesses Lenin and reevaluates his legacy. Once a dedicated Communist, Volkogonov unearthed official documents that destroyed his reverence for his former idol and resulted in this exposé of Lenin's influence on Stalin, contempt for intellectuals, and penchant for brutality. 1994.

City of Djinns: A Year in Delhi RC 41536
by William Dalrymple
read by Christopher Walker
3 cassettes
Although New Delhi has been invaded and burned many times through the centuries, it has always been rebuilt. During his stay there, Dalrymple found a city full of relics, both architectural and human, from different periods of history, side by side. Research description is combined with tales of his travels and encounters with people from various levels of society, different religions, and numerous traditions. 1993.

For Younger Readers: Braille and Talking Books, 1994–1995 RC 41609
by National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped
read by Ray Foushee
3 cassettes
Catalog of books for readers from preschool through grade nine produced in braille and cassette formats during 1994 and 1995. Nonfiction and fiction books are arranged under general subject headings. Also includes separate sections for print/braille, very young readers, and young adults. 1996.

The Case of the Frozen Addicts RC 41632
by J. William Langston and Jon Palfreman
read by Brian Conn
2 cassettes
In California in 1982, six heroin addicts became virtually paralyzed. Dr. Langston recognized the symptoms of advanced Parkinson's disease and deter-

mined that an area of their brains had been destroyed by a toxin mixed with the heroin. Treatment of the addicts led to fetal tissue transplants and suggested new therapies for Parkinson's patients and others. 1995.

Stonewall: A Biography of General Thomas J. Jackson RC 41637
by Byron Farwell
read by Art Metzler
5 cassettes
Chronicles the life of the famous Confederate general, from his birth in 1824 to his death in 1863 after the battle at Chancellorsville. Includes chapters on Jackson's early life in western Virginia, his years at West Point, his participation in the Mexican War, his domestic life and personal virtues, and his legendary exploits on the battlefields of the Civil War. 1993.

The War against the Greens: The "Wise-Use" Movement, the New Right, and Anti-Environmental Violence RC 41660
by David Helvarg
read by Lindsay Ellison
4 cassettes
A journalist documents organized reaction against advocates for the environment. He tells how a coalition of right-wing groups and industrial giants use local labor unions and small businesses to present the reaction as a grass-roots movement and describes bombings, beatings, and rapes done to silence environmentalists. Some strong language. 1994.

The Village RC 41696
by Alice Taylor
read by Jill Ferris
1 cassette
Warm remembrances of daily life in the Irish author's adopted County Cork village. In this sequel to *Quench the Lamp (RC 33774)*, she relates with humor and a bit of wistfulness the changes that married life brought to her and that modern times brought to the village. 1992.

Country Days RC 41697
by Alice Taylor
read by Jill Ferris
1 cassette
In this sequel to *The Village (RC 41696)*, Taylor continues her autobiographical sketches of life in a small Irish village. Now middle-aged with her children almost grown, the author concentrates on her own daily life, reminiscing occasionally, but open to new ideas, too. 1993.

Wilderness at Dawn: The Settling of the North American Continent RC 41714
by Ted Morgan
read by Norman Fitz
5 cassettes
Episodic history of the American frontier from prehistory to the early nineteenth century. Focusing on little-known stories of ordinary men and women—including Native Americans, Europeans, and African slaves—who struggled to survive or thrive in the New World, the author presents an epic view of American settlement replete with its attendant bravery, ingenuity, and brutality. 1993.

Violent Justice: How Three Assassins Fought to Free Europe's Jews RC 41717
by Felix and Miyoko Imonti
read by Annie Wauters
2 cassettes
In 1926 a leader of the Ukrainian Republic was shot in Paris, in 1936 a Nazi official was gunned down in Switzerland, and in 1938 a German diplomat

was killed in Paris. Each of the assassins was a Jewish man acting alone out of frustration with mistreatment of his people. The stories are embedded in long historical accounts focusing on the ravages of anti-Semitism. 1994.

May It Please the Court: The Most Significant Oral Arguments Made before the Supreme Court since 1955
RC 41743
edited by Peter Irons and Stephanie Guitton
read by John Rayburn
3 cassettes
Edited transcripts of twenty-three historic Bill of Rights cases decided since Chief Justice Warren allowed tape-recording of all Supreme Court arguments. Cases involve the First Amendment, governmental powers, criminal law, equal protection, and privacy acts. Includes the Watergate tapes case and *Roe v. Wade*. 1993.

American Empress: The Life and Times of Marjorie Merriweather Post
RC 41753
by Nancy Rubin
read by Jill Ferris
4 cassettes
Drawing upon the Post archives and interviews with Marjorie Merriweather Post's children, grandchildren, friends, and employees, Rubin provides a portrait of the woman who Rubin says seems about "as close to royalty as one can come in America." She describes Post's roles as a business executive, wife, mother, philanthropist, and hostess to the rich and famous. 1995.

The Inner World of Abraham Lincoln
RC 41759
by Michael Burlingame
read by Bill Wallace
3 cassettes
A psychobiography by a Connecticut College professor of history. Burlingame uses mainly Jungian psychological theories to interpret Lincoln's personality, family relationships, marriage, "midlife crisis," and political attitudes. Burlingame traces Lincoln's melancholia to "bereavement in childhood" and his lack of "capacity to trust women" to ambivalence about his mother. 1994.

Listening to America: Twenty-five Years in the Life of a Nation, as Heard on National Public Radio RC 41773
edited by Linda Wertheimer
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
4 cassettes
The author, of the original *All Things Considered* staff, presents pieces aired on National Public Radio during its first twenty-five years. The hard-news items reflect the history of the times from Vietnam to Watergate to AIDS to the 1994 Republican shift. The human side of the broadcasts reflects the moods, thoughts, and mores of the country since 1971. 1995.

Great Vacations for You and Your Dog, USA RC 41821
by Martin Management Books
read by Christopher Walker
1 cassette
State-by-state listing of U.S. facilities that accept dogs. Categories include ranches, dog camps, resorts, hotels, lodges, cabins, inns, and camping. Each entry gives a description, the dog policy, and the 1995 rates. Includes suggestions for vacationing with a dog in five major

cities and general tips on traveling with dogs. 1994.

The Next Great Thing: The Sun, the Stirling Engine, and the Drive to Change the World RC 41841

by Mark L. Shelton
read by Scott Dowd
3 cassettes

The free-lance journalist's account of almost two years spent watching the folks at Sunpower work on and seek funding for the solar-powered Stirling engine. Using popular style and homely analogies, Shelton details the external combustion engine and profiles its jaunty promoter, William Beale. 1994.

Coping When a Parent Dies RC 41845

by Janet Grosshandler-Smith
read by Carol Dines
1 cassette

The author, a high school guidance counselor, has been through the grieving process herself, having lost her husband to cancer in 1989. She discusses the five stages of grief, deaths that are particularly difficult, funeral arrangements, religious beliefs, changes in survivors' lives, and ways to keep memories alive. Includes a list of sources for help and support. For junior and senior high and older readers. 1995.

The Road Ahead RC 41849

by Bill Gates
read by Lou Harpenau
2 cassettes

The CEO and cofounder of Microsoft chats about his vision of the future, which he expects the Internet to bring about. Prefacing his comments with acknowledgment that the ideas will become dated, he says that he sees the Internet primarily enhancing communication for education, commerce, and daily life. He provides a brief history of the personal computer industry and of his own corporation. Bestseller 1995.

What to Eat When You're Expecting RC 41851

by Arlene Eisenberg and others
read by Patricia McDermott
3 cassettes

The authors expand their nutrition chapter from *What to Expect When You're Expecting (RC 36978)*. They provide detailed instructions on formulating proper eating habits before, during, and after pregnancy. Included are tips on setting up the kitchen, "best-odds" recipes, a quiz to evaluate your current diet, and nutritional information on food additives and junk food. 1986.

The American Bar Association Guide to Wills and Estates: Everything You Need to Know about Wills, Trusts, Estates, and Taxes RC 41858

by American Bar Association
read by Art Metzler
2 cassettes

Explains that a person's estate consists of real estate, tangible personal property such as cars and furniture, and intangible property such as pensions, bank accounts, and insurance. Guidelines for estate planning include information on wills, trusts, and living wills and cover common estate-planning situations. 1995.

Entertaining with Regis and Kathie Lee: Year-Round Holiday Recipes, Entertaining Tips, and Party Ideas RC 41861

by Regis Philbin and
Kathie Lee Gifford
read by Ann Hodapp
2 cassettes

In this companion volume to *Cooking*

with Regis and Kathie Lee (RC 36382), the television duo offer hints and recipes for a year of entertaining—from New Year's brunch through Easter, Mother's Day, and the Fourth of July, right up to Thanksgiving and Christmas. Contributors include staff and family members, as well as celebrity chefs. 1994.

Presidents under Fire: Commanders in Chief in Victory and Defeat RC 41862
by James R. Arnold
read by Randy Atcher
3 cassettes
The author of nine works on military history analyzes the war strategies of the successful Washington and Polk and the unsuccessful Lyndon Johnson and Jefferson Davis. He concludes that victory requires legislative and economic support and the backing of the American people and that the nation's founders were wise to forbid a president to make war without a declaration from Congress. 1994.

Running from Safety: An Adventure of the Spirit RC 41868
by Richard Bach
read by Jack Fox
2 cassettes
Richard Bach, the author of *Jonathan Livingston Seagull (RC 6610)*, relates an extended conversation between his adult self and himself as a child called Dickie. Bach wrote this book, which he considers an autobiography, to fulfill a promise he made early in life to later pass along the knowledge he would gain. Dickie's questions take Bach from the role of seeker to that of teacher. 1994.

The Hand Tool Companion: The Back-to-Basics Guide for Learning about and Using Hand Tools RC 41876
by Katie and Gene Hamilton
read by Lou Harpenau
1 cassette
The Hamiltons stress that hand tools provide the manual worker with maximum control and a sense of satisfaction. This primer describes the common tools and then guides the do-it-yourselfer through seven home improvement projects and seventeen wordworking projects such as audiotape storage and a toolbox. 1994.

Circle of Fire: Murder and Betrayal in the "Swiss Nanny" Case RC 41880
by Joyce Egginton
read by Carol Dines
3 cassettes
Documents the family tragedy of William and Denise Fischer of Westchester County, New York, who hired Swiss au pair Olivia Riner, twenty, to care for their infant daughter, Kristie. One day while the Fischers were at work, a fire in the nursery killed Kristie. A scorched circle around the baby indicated arson. Describes the police investigation, Riner's arrest, her trial, and controversy surrounding her acquittal. 1994.

You Are the President RC 41892
by Nathan Aaseng
read by Randy Atcher
1 cassette
To illustrate the scope and limitations of presidential power, this book reenacts eight crises requiring a president of the United States to make a decision. The reader has the benefit of summaries, expert advice, and several options, and in the end is responsible for making a choice. Then the reader learns what the

real president did, what resulted, and how his decision fared in history. For junior and senior high and older readers. 1994.

Pushing the Limits: American Women, 1940–1961 RC 41894
by Elaine Tyler May
read by Janis Gray
1 cassette
May argues that women played a great part in shaping mid-twentieth-century America, not only through the work they took on during World War II, especially in the field of manufacturing, but also after the war, as evidenced by the migration to the suburbs, the rise of white-collar jobs, a reliance on knowledgeable consumerism, and involvement in the civil rights movement. For senior high and older readers. 1994.

How Things Are: A Science Tool-Kit for the Mind RC 41895
edited by John Brockman and Katinka Matson
read by Butch Hoover
2 cassettes
Thirty-four essays by scientists and thinkers from fields such as anthropology, mathematics, biology, physics, and philosophy. Richard Dawkins tells his ten-year-old daughter that "revelation" and "tradition" are bad reasons for believing something. Steve Jones explores how some human beings developed light skin. Lee Smolin ponders the nature of time. 1995.

Sports on the Net RC 41914
by Bob Temple
read by Ralph Lowenstein
3 cassettes
Sportswriter provides tips on surfing the world of Internet sports. Thumbnail sketches describe available sports news and sports-talk services such as bulletin boards and newsgroups. Other chapters detail specific sports (including fantasy sports), giving a variety of Internet addresses for each. Also lists ways to access the Internet, such as the World Wide Web and commercial online services. 1995.

Cub Scout Leader Book RC 41931
by Boy Scouts of America
read by Ralph Lowenstein
3 cassettes
Qualifications and responsibilities for Cub Scout leaders. Describes the Cub Scout program and includes instructions on teaching Cub Scout basics and ideals. 1982.

The Lion in Winter RC 41934
by James Goldman
read by George Holmes
1 cassette
Three sons seek three prizes in the realm of England. In this play, Henry II and his wife, Eleanor of Aquitaine, match wits and wills to name the successor to the throne. In the winner-take-all match, the sons plot alone and in alliances, both false and true, to win the crown, the woman, and the land. After being performed on stage, this tight drama was adapted for an Oscar-winning screenplay. 1966.

Captain James Cook RC 41944
by Richard Hough
read by Robert Blumenfeld
3 cassettes
Chronicles the life of scientist, mariner, and explorer James Cook and his three historic voyages between 1768 and 1779. His ship's log and notes, remarkable for their scientific observations, including the cure for scurvy, became the basis for this biography, which describes Cook as

a genius and a great man. He was responsible for geographic and scientific exploration of Australia, New Zealand, and Hawaii. Some violence. 1994.

Molly Spotted Elk: A Penobscot in Paris RC 41954

by Bunny McBride
read by Margaret Strom
3 cassettes

A biography of a Native American whose exotic beauty and dancing made her a nightclub star in the glittering and literary Paris of the 1930s. Tells how she won the heart of a French journalist, whom she married. Journals and letters documenting her life as an entertainer and as a woman outside mainstream culture are the basis of this work, which reveals her as a person of intelligence and remarkable character. 1995.

Parachute Infantry: An American Paratrooper's Memoir of D-Day and the Fall of the Third Reich RC 41968

by David Kenyon Webster
read by Gary Telles
2 cassettes

Personal account by a Harvard student who volunteered for the paratroopers so he could write about his experiences. Webster describes the boredom and aggravation of everyday military life, his nighttime jump behind enemy lines on D-Day, the horrors and snafus of combat, and the troops' carousing on liberated liquor. 1994.

Breaking the News: How the Media Undermine American Democracy RC 41986

by James Fallows
read by Jamie Horton
2 cassettes

An indictment of the American media and their negative impact on the quality of public discourse and news dissemination. Fallows examines some of the disturbing trends in media operations, from "news as spectacle" to celebrity journalism. Additionally, Fallows advocates "public journalism" as a means for galvanizing a dispirited populace into democratic participation. Bestseller 1996.

Mapping the Farm: The Chronicle of a Family RC 41987

by John Hildebrand
read by Bob Askey
2 cassettes

Hildebrand married into the O'Neill family at a time when their two-hundred-forty-acre family farm in Minnesota was facing an uncertain future, although the O'Neills had owned the land since the 1880s. As Hildebrand describes a cycle of seasons on the farm —milking, planting crops, castrating calves, slaughtering hogs—he provides a history of the four generations who have lived on the land. 1995.

Love and Death at the Mall: Teaching and Writing for the Literate Young RC 41989

by Richard Peck
read by Bob Askey
1 cassette

The award-winning author of books for young adults reflects on how and why he writes. He is often asked, "But how did you get your start?" and "Where did you get your ideas?" In broad answers, he makes wry observations on writing for and teaching teenagers and includes excerpts from his books. By the author of *Bel-Air Bambi and the Mall Rats (RC 39020)*. For senior high and older readers. 1994.

On Gold Mountain: The One-Hundred-Year Odyssey of a Chinese-American Family RC 41993
by Lisa See
read by Yvonne Fair Tessler
4 cassettes
As a child, See heard many stories from Grandma Stella about See's great-grandfather's arrival in the United States (Gold Mountain), his "marriage" to a Caucasian, his first job—selling crotchless underwear to brothels—and his becoming a prominent Chinese on Gold Mountain. See uses oral histories, interviews, official documents, and trips to China for this account of her family. 1995.

Sportswriter: The Life and Times of Grantland Rice RC 41999
by Charles Fountain
read by Jake Williams
3 cassettes
A journalism teacher and former sportscaster chronicles events of the 1920s and 1930s as context for Rice's life and rhetoric. Fountain presents prose and poetry of the man who coined the nickname "Four Horsemen" and authored the phrase, "For when the One Great Scorer comes to mark against your name . . ." He says that Rice's "gee-whiz" reportage shaped the experience of sports for his age. For senior high and older readers. 1993.

We're Right, They're Wrong: A Handbook for Spirited Progressives RC 42001
by James Carville
read by Jim Zeiger
1 cassette
Carville, chief strategist for President Clinton's 1992 election campaign, takes on the GOP in this series of responses to standard Republican beliefs and assertions. Focusing on welfare, taxation, and the economy, Carville uses quotes from noted GOP figures to debunk right-wing "myths." Carville also discusses "things government does right," as well as the failed attempt to adopt a national health care plan. Bestseller 1996.

Green Means: Living Gently on the Planet RC 42002
by Aubrey Wallace
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Profiles twenty-one "ordinary" people who are environmental heroes. Based on public television station KQED's series about individuals who have contributed to keeping the planet green. Includes Sally Fox, who developed cotton fabrics with natural color, a "green cowboy," and a rescuer of the Staten Island salt marsh. Program index identifies available videotapes. Introduction by NPR's Susan Stamberg. 1994.

My Own Two Feet: A Memoir RC 42011
by Beverly Cleary
read by Jill Ferris
2 cassettes
This sequel to *A Girl from Yamhill (RC 29704)* covers the children's author's life from the time she began college until shortly after her first book, *Henry Huggins (RC 35642)*, was published. Although money was tight, Cleary went away to college in California where she met her future husband, Clarence, then to Washington where she learned to be a children's librarian. For junior and senior high and older readers. 1995.

A. Lincoln: His Last 24 Hours
RC 42012
by W. Emerson Reck
read by John Rayburn
2 cassettes
Describes the events on April 14, 1865, shortly after the end of the Civil War, when President Lincoln ignored warnings about the probability of assassination attempts and went to Ford's Theatre with his wife. Reck provides background information on the actions of both Lincoln and his killer, John Wilkes Booth, during the day leading to the sixteenth president's death. He also discusses some unsolved mysteries concerning that event. 1987.

Wondrous Times on the Frontier
RC 42022
by Dee Brown
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes
The author of *Bury My Heart at Wounded Knee (RC 20462)* describes how frontier humor helped put hardships in perspective and how it took aim at popular targets of the time: "greenhorns," women, Indians, preachers, teachers, and lawyers. Brown spices the discussion with anecdotes and jokes. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1991.

Mockery of Justice: The True Story of the Sheppard Murder Case RC 42024
by Cynthia L. Cooper and
Sam Reese Sheppard
read by Jim Zeiger
4 cassettes
In 1954 someone murdered pregnant Marilyn Sheppard in her bed. The testimony of her husband, Dr. Sam Sheppard, was disregarded, and he was found guilty. In 1966, due to attorney F. Lee Bailey, Dr. Sheppard was set free. The Sheppards' son has co-authored this account of the events surrounding the crime and points to four possible culprits. Some violence. 1995.

Alfred Nobel: A Biography RC 42027
by Kenne Fant
read by Bill Wallace
3 cassettes
Life of the nineteenth-century Swedish chemist and industrialist best known as the inventor of dynamite and as the founder of the prestigious Nobel prizes. Using Nobel's writings and correspondence, the author reveals a man who was a talented writer, a successful businessman, and a caring benefactor, but who also was a misanthropic bachelor prone to unhappiness and melancholy. 1991.

Goldwater: The Man Who Made a Revolution RC 42028
by Lee Edwards
read by John Rayburn
4 cassettes
Biography of the conservative senator from Arizona best known for his 1964 presidential bid. Although Goldwater's landslide defeat appeared to be the end of the conservative movement, the 1980 and 1994 Republican victories are attributed to the force of his influence. Chronicles his political life and discusses his differences with the new conservatives. Some strong language. 1995.

Dumbing Down Our Kids: Why America's Children Feel Good about Themselves but Can't Read, Write, or Add RC 42032
by Charles J. Sykes
read by John Rayburn
3 cassettes
Sykes voices concerns about trends in secondary education. He cites the continuing decline in national test scores as evidence that education is focusing on building students' self-esteem at the expense of academics. He believes the roots of the problem lie in ongoing political and cultural debates and warns that much is at stake. 1995.

Trail of Tears: The Rise and Fall of the Cherokee Nation RC 42034
by John Ehle
read by Jake Williams
3 cassettes
Ehle discusses the history of the Cherokee nation and the political and social factors contributing to the 1838 forced march that came to be known as the Trail of Tears. His sympathetic account covers the adaptation of the Cherokees to European values prior to the migration of twelve thousand Cherokees from their eastern homelands. 1988.

Hitler's Willing Executioners: Ordinary Germans and the Holocaust RC 42039
by Daniel Jonah Goldhagen
read by Robert Blumenfeld
5 cassettes
Makes the case that the perpetrators of the Jewish genocide were ordinary Germans driven by anti-Semitism and not just military officers and Nazi Party members. Bestseller 1996.

The Rants RC 42042
by Dennis Miller
read by Barry Bernson
1 cassette
Humorous essays from comedian known for television shows *Saturday Night Live* and *Dennis Miller Live*. Topics include air travel, the religious right, the O.J. Simpson trial, the environment, and marriage. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1996.

Simple Abundance: A Daybook of Comfort and Joy RC 42044
by Sarah Ban Breathnach
read by Janis Gray
5 cassettes
This series of daily lessons for women is based on six principles the author developed to help define her life and to reconcile her spiritual and creative longings with her often overwhelming and conflicting commitments. Bestseller 1995.

Between East and West: Across the Borderlands of Europe RC 42051
by Anne Applebaum
read by Suzanne Toren
2 cassettes
The author relates conversations and impressions of a journey she took in the early 1990s across the Russian borderlands, from the Baltic Sea to the Black Sea. She sifts through the rich mixture of nationalities, languages, cultures, and religions of the area that includes the Russian Republic, Lithuania, Belarus, and Ukraine. History of the region is interwoven to give additional insights. 1994.

Fanny Stevenson: A Romance of Destiny RC 42066
by Alexandra Lapierre
read by Catherine Byers
4 cassettes
Lapierre recounts the life of Robert Louis Stevenson's controversial wife in novelistic style, with source notes and a bibliography. She covers Fanny Vandegrift's first marriage to prospector Sam Osbourne; her life with "Louis," whom she cared for and advised; and her late-life liaison with young Ned Field. Translated from French. Winner of *Elle* Magazine Literary Grand Prize, 1994. 1995.

The Last Shot: City Streets, Basketball Dreams RC 42077
by Darcy Frey
read by J.P. Linton
2 cassettes
Describes the chance for a basketball career as the only hope for many inner-city teens. The author spends a year with young players as they hone their skills to bid for a college scholarship. He describes the recruiting process, showing it as an ugly business dealing in the lives of kids. The author writes fondly of athletes who work hard to perfect their games. Strong language. 1994.

Mrs. Thatcher's Minister: The Private Diaries of Alan Clark RC 42080
by Alan Clark
read by Patrick Horgan
3 cassettes
Clark explains that these are not "memoirs," but rather his diary entries, exactly as he recorded them between 1983 and 1991. The diary provides a glimpse into Clark's private life—his father, Lord Kenneth Clark; his wife, Jane, whom he adores; his weakness for women; and his castle and cars—and into his public life in which he served prime ministers in three successive Tory administrations. Strong language. 1993.

The Martha Stewart Cookbook: Collected Recipes for Every Day RC 42087
by Martha Stewart
read by Annie Wauters
6 cassettes
More than 1,600 recipes and adaptations collected from the nine previous cookbooks by the celebrity hostess. Recipes range from simple to involved but are marked for their elegance. In addition to the usual cookbook favorites, such as soups, salads, fish and shellfish, and meats, sections are devoted to potatoes, ice cream and sorbets, wedding cakes, and entertaining crowds. Bestseller 1995.

Parallel Time: Growing Up in Black and White RC 42099
by Brent Staples
read by Bob Moore
2 cassettes
Staples, who grew up the oldest son of nine children in 1950s Philadelphia, describes how his mother's generosity and his father's drunkenness—despite his hard work—kept the family poor and on the move. The author escaped through a chance encounter that led to college and a career in journalism, while his brother turned to drug dealing and was gunned down by a "client." Strong language and descriptions of sex. 1994.

And When Did You Last See Your Father? RC 42105
by Blake Morrison
read by Gregory Gorton
2 cassettes
The London writer tells of his father, Arthur, who died of cancer at seventy-

five. Scenes from Arthur Morrison's final months alternate with episodes from his younger years as a Yorkshire physician. The author remembers his father as a cocky man who drove fast in fancy cars and who delighted in pulling scams to get what he wanted. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. 1993.

James Thurber: His Life and Times RC 42113
by Harrison Kinney
read by Terence Aselford
8 cassettes
Kinney, who knew Thurber personally and began this biography as a postgraduate thesis in 1948, shows how the humorist's work is related to the events and the people in his life. He also discusses how Thurber's blindness affected his later works. Includes a list of Thurber's works and a chronology. 1995.

A Scattering of Salts: Poems RC 42132
by James Ingram Merrill
read by James DeLotel
1 cassette
Published after the 1995 death of the Pulitzer Prize-winning Connecticut author, who also received the Library of Congress's first Bobbitt National Prize for Poetry for his 1988 *Inner Room (RC 33295)*. Literary themes join reflections on everyday life: "Morning Exercise" at the health club; "My Father's Irish Setters," missed after divorce from the wife who banished them; "Family Week at Oracle Ranch," on rehab therapy. 1995.

Teens Parenting: Your Pregnancy and Newborn Journey; How to Take Care of Yourself and Your Newborn if You're a Pregnant Teen RC 42146
by Jeanne Warren Lindsay and Jean Brunelli
read by Kerry Cundiff
1 cassette
A guide for pregnant girls and their partners that encourages good prenatal care and staying in school. Includes excerpts from interviews with both partners on topics such as nutrition, symptoms, labor, breastfeeding, birth control, and family support. For junior and senior high and older readers. 1991.

The Demon-Haunted World: Science as a Candle in the Dark RC 42208
by Carl Sagan
read by Ralph Lowenstein
4 cassettes
An eminent scientist explains the importance of scientific thinking to our democratic institutions and technological civilization. Debunks the pseudoscience of New Age beliefs, UFO reports, psychic surgeons, and other such irrationalities. Offers a "baloney detection kit" for analyzing issues. Bestseller 1995.

Sarajevo: A War Journal RC 42221
by Zlatko Dizdarević
read by Ken Kliban
1 cassette
The editor of Sarajevo's sole daily newspaper in the mid-1990s has drawn together nearly sixty of his previously published columns to form a journal of events in the besieged city. The author, who is Muslim and continues to live there with his Serbian wife and their family, chronicles the gradual destruction of the city, the actions of those in

power, the daily carnage known as "ethnic cleansing," and the determination of those who choose not to leave. 1993.

Too Marvelous for Words: The Life and Genius of Art Tatum RC 42227
by James Lester
read by John Stratton
2 cassettes
The freelance musician and retired psychologist bases this first biography of the 1930s and 1940s jazz great on interviews with Tatum's surviving associates. They describe the blind piano player's intimidating virtuosity and fun-loving lifestyle and provide details of his life. Tatum, who loved alcohol and ignored his diabetes, died in 1956 at age forty-seven. 1994.

Heavenly Sex: Sexuality in the Jewish Tradition RC 42242
by Ruth K. Westheimer and Jonathan Mark
read by Suzanne Toren
1 cassette
Celebrity sex therapist "Dr. Ruth" discusses, in her straightforward manner, sexuality within the framework of Orthodox Judaism. She asserts that the Bible is a little-known sex manual and that Judaism is a very sexual religion. The book focuses on sex within marriage, although she addresses controversial issues such as extramarital and same-gender sex. Explicit descriptions of sex. 1995.

1939: The Lost World of the Fair RC 42252
by David Gelernter
read by Gary Telles
3 cassettes
Gelernter portrays the 1939 New York World's Fair as a vision of a technological future. Through the "composite" eyes of a Mrs. Hattie Levine, Gelernter offers recollections of the sights, activities, and exhibits. His interpretation of the fair's message: the material utopia forecast then is in the 1990s taken for granted, but the pride and hope expressed in the 1930s no longer exist. 1995.

Bulfinch's Mythology: The Age of Fable RC 42259
by Thomas Bulfinch
read by Annie Wauters
3 cassettes
A reprinting of the 1855 classic with a foreword by professor Norma Lorre Goodrich. Harvard-educated Bulfinch, a successful businessman, set out to counter common ignorance of mythology by presenting the stories as a "source of amusement." He details Greek and Roman legends from Prometheus to Aeneas and touches on the stories of Thor, the Druids, and others. 1995.

Bad as I Wanna Be RC 42330
by Dennis Rodman
read by Bob Moore
2 cassettes
Flamboyant National Basketball Association star Dennis Rodman recounts his life and career in professional basketball. He unabashedly offers his views on race relations, sex, cross-dressing, and the singer-actress Madonna, as well as on the game and its celebrities. Strong language. Bestseller 1996.

The Measure of a Man RC 42398
by Martin Luther King Jr.
read by Gordon Gould
1 cassette
Two meditations by the well-known American civil rights leader: "What Is Man?" and "The Dimensions of a Complete Life," plus an excerpt from his

April 3, 1968, speech. King calls upon his Christian heritage as he reflects on the nature of human existence and the moral duties of the individual. 1988.

Longitude: The True Story of a Lone Genius Who Solved the Greatest Scientific Problem of His Time
RC 42442
by Dava Sobel
read by Vanessa Maroney
1 cassette
Sobel describes the work of John Harrison, a London clockmaker, who invented the chronometer. For centuries there was no accurate way to determine longitude, so in 1714 the British parliament offered twenty thousand pounds for a solution. While others looked for a celestial answer, Harrison worked almost forty years on a mechanical one. Bestseller 1995.

Deep Water Passage: A Spiritual Journey at Midlife RC 42467
by Ann Linnea
read by Dani Carr
2 cassettes
At forty-three the author, with a friend, makes a kayak trip around Lake Superior. Cold, stormy weather and fatigue combine with closeness to nature and a sense of accomplishment to produce self-understanding and prepare Linnea for the next stage of her life. Contains feminist and "new age" concepts and language. 1995.

Cassettes Fiction

The Trumpet and the Sword: The Children of the Lion, Volume 14
RC 38502
by Peter Danielson
read by Patrick Horgan
2 cassettes
The Teller of Tales continues the story of the Children of the Lion. He tells of the god-man Dionysus rising from the ruins of Greece and of a Babylonian woman who can coax winged creatures to obey her commands. Sequel to the *The Invaders (RC 38501)*. Violence, strong language, and descriptions of sex. 1991.

Ester Ried's Awakening RC 39927
by Isabella Macdonald Alden
read by Mimi Bederman
2 cassettes
Although Ester Ried pledged her life to Jesus as a child, somehow in the years since, the joy of that pledge has faded. She is tired of the sameness of her days working in her mother's boarding house and jealous of the carefree lives of the guests and her siblings. Then the Christian cousin who has been corresponding with Ester invites her to New York for her wedding and exposes Ester to a truly religious lifestyle. 1870.

As in a Mirror RC 39928
by Isabella Macdonald Alden
read by June Carter
2 cassettes
When well-to-do John Stuart King hears a stirring sermon about the treatment of tramps, he decides the only way he can write his planned novel about a tramp is to live as one for a while. After a time on the road, King is hired on by farmer Roger Elliot. Although King is

engaged to his cousin, he soon becomes entranced by Elliot's devout schoolteacher daughter, Helen. But she would not approve of his identity sham, despite his good intentions. 1897.

Daring Illusion RC 39930
by Christina Cordaire
read by Ellen Frost
1 cassette
The death of the earl of Winston and his wife leaves their children penniless. To save Castle Winston, the children come up with a plan to rent the castle for the summer, while they fill the roles of servants. Needing at least one older person, they are delighted when their widowed sister-in-law, Rosalind, comes to live with them. But when their tenant arrives, he is none other than Viscount Moreland, whom Rosalind knew a long time ago. 1994.

Gloria: A Diary RC 39931
by Joseph F. Girzone
read by Anne Mullen
1 cassette
Although very popular in school, Gloria often feels she has no one to talk to about her feelings. But then one day Gloria finds that God will listen to her, and does she have questions for him! In her talks with God, Gloria discusses her feelings about God and Jesus, the party she had that got out of control, her schoolwork, and her future. When a knee injury puts her in the hospital, she turns to God for more help. For high school and older readers. 1982.

Revolutions of the Heart RC 39933
by Marsha Qualey
read by Don Emmick
1 cassette
At seventeen, Cory Knutson finds her small-town life taking some dramatic turns. Everybody knows about everybody else in Summer, Wisconsin, so they all know that Cory put a big hole in Dawn's store window and is working to pay for it. But that is only the beginning of her problems: her mother dies, and when Cory begins dating a Native American, her brother and the entire town object. For junior and senior high readers. 1993.

The Year of the Virgins RC 39942
by Catherine Cookson
read by Arnie Warren
2 cassettes
England in the 1960s. Winifred and Daniel Coulson's thirty-one-year marriage is falling apart. But the outside world has no idea. After all, they are wealthy Catholics from the best part of town, and it just wouldn't do for others to know. Winifred is overly possessive of their youngest son, and on the day of his wedding an accident occurs that rocks the family completely and hastens its disintegration. 1993.

Borderliners RC 39943
by Peter Høeg
read by June Carter
2 cassettes
The "borderliners" are a trio of residents on probation in a private school in Copenhagen in the 1970s: Peter, who rebels against institutions; his girlfriend, newly orphaned Katarina; and a younger boy, August, who killed his abusive parents. The frightened children realize they are subjects of an experiment and attempt to find out the nature of "the plan." 1994.

I Would Have Loved Him if I Had Not Killed Him RC 39945
by Edgard Telles Ribeiro
read by Phil Regensdorf
2 cassettes
Guilhermina was all of fourteen when she was given in marriage to the Honorable Carlos Augusto Maia Macedo, then sixty-six years old. She spent the next seven years planning his death. Years later Guilhermina discovers Andrea, a grandniece, who becomes her confidante and beneficiary. Andrea meets up with an old lover and filmmaker, and together they research Guilhermina's story with the plot of a screenplay in mind. 1990.

Flight #116 Is Down RC 39946
by Caroline B. Cooney
read by Marilyn Gleason
1 cassette
Because most residents of remote Nearing River work in New York, there are few adults around during the day. So seventeen-year-old Patrick is trained as an emergency medical technician. But he doesn't get to use his lifesaving skills, and boredom prevails for him and other teens, including Heidi, a lonely rich girl. Then one Saturday evening, everything changes when Flight #116 crashes on Heidi's estate. For junior and senior high readers. 1992.

Blood Saga RC 39948
by Will Camp
read by Arnie Warren
1 cassette
In 1878 three men approach Rueben Child's humble cabin in New Mexico Territory. To his wife's horror, they calmly gun him down so they can take his land. She writes their names on a handkerchief and flees with her small son, Virgil. Two decades later on her deathbed, Virgil's mother gives him the scrap of cloth and asks him to bury her next to his father. When Virgil finds his hometown, he also finds his father's murderers. Strong language and violence. 1994.

Kentucky Straight RC 39949
by Chris Offutt
read by June Carter
1 cassette
Nine stories set in an Appalachian community. The author, who knows the Kentucky hills firsthand, is a storyteller, and the characters he describes could be kin. In "The Leaving One," an old man returns years after he is accused of being a devil for saving his daughter when a preacher all but drowns her in a creek baptism. In "Smokehouse," a man in need of whiskey ends up in a deadly card game. Some strong language. 1992.

Michelle RC 39954
by Eva Gibson
read by Graci Ragsdale
1 cassette
Michelle Ann (Micky) Strand has lived in several homes since her mother deserted her. But now that she is living with the Middletons, Micky believes she will finally be happy. Micky's friendship with neighbor Joel Brentwood and a near drowning bring long-suppressed memories to the surface with surprising results. For junior and senior high readers. 1984.

Ned Christie's War RC 39955
by Robert J. Conley
read by Phil Regensdorf
1 cassette
In 1887, Ned Christie rides to Tahlequah to take part in the council meeting of the Cherokee Nation. Like others,

Ned is upset that whites seem to be taking control of the Nation and plans to speak out against it. But before the meeting occurs, he drinks some illegal whiskey with a friend and sleeps it off outside. When a lawman is shot nearby the next morning, Ned begins a long battle as a hunted man. Violence. 1990.

The Curse of the Cockers RC 39960
by Gerald Hammond
read by Phil Regensdorf
1 cassette
Three Oaks Kennels owners John and Beth Cunningham have just returned from the local pub and a celebration of Hogmanay when they receive a phone call telling them there has been an accident at the pub. Their friends Isobel and Henry witnessed a hit-and-run that left a man dead and a cocker spaniel abandoned. Before long another friend, Angus Todd, stands accused of murder, and John finds himself facing a psychopath. Some strong language. 1993.

Others See Us RC 39967
by William Sleator
read by Dick Jenkins
1 cassette
While riding his bike near his family's summer estate, sixteen-year-old Jared falls into a swamp filled with toxic wastes. After cleaning himself up, he begins getting strange images in his mind, and he realizes that he has suddenly acquired the ability to read the thoughts of other people. With this power, he learns disturbing things about his family, especially about his pretty cousin and his grandmother. For high school and older readers. 1993.

Journey of the Sparrows RC 39970
by Fran Leeper Buss
read by Sharon Lauve Komorn
1 cassette
Life in El Salvador was unbearable for the Acosta family after Papa and daughter Julia's husband were killed. So while Mama and the baby hide in Mexico, fifteen-year-old Maria, Julia, their little brother, and a stranger flee to the States nailed in a crate on the back of a truck. Because this is illegal, they have to be very careful. But with the help of kind people, they begin a new life in Chicago. For high school and older readers. 1991.

Mojave Crossing RC 39972
by Louis L'Amour
read by Phil Regensdorf
1 cassette (Reissue)
Set in the late 1870s. Cowboy Tell Sackett has no problem carrying thirty pounds of gold, but the hard part is ahead when he has to cross the desert. While he waits for a ferry to cross the Colorado River, he meets trouble in the form of a beautiful black-eyed young woman and a gang with eyes on his gold. 1964.

The Vanishing RC 39977
by Tim Krabbé
read by Arnie Warren
1 cassette
While Rex Hofman is stopped at a gas station in southern France, his girlfriend, Saskia Ehlvest, goes to buy refreshments and disappears. Not satisfied with the police investigation, Rex begins one of his own and becomes obsessed with finding Saskia. Years later a stranger approaches Rex with an offer of information about Saskia and a price tag that Rex accepts. Subject of both a Dutch and an American film. 1993.

Stone of Farewell: Memory, Sorrow, and Thorn, Book 2 RC 40338
by Tad Williams
read by Erik Sandvold
6 cassettes
Simon and his allies now possess the sword Thorn, essential to their defeat of the evil forces of King Elias of Osten Ard. King Elias has banded together with the Storm King, and they plan to end any hope Prince Josua has of taking over the throne. Both forces will meet many problems before they come face to face at the Stone of Farewell. Sequel to *The Dragonbone Chair (RC 40337)*. For high school and older readers. 1990.

Staying Fat for Sarah Byrnes RC 40522
by Chris Crutcher
read by John Lescault
2 cassettes
Eric Calhoune is a chunky swimmer on his high school team. His best friend is Sarah Byrnes, who is severely scarred from childhood burns. When Sarah is hospitalized after going into a trance-like state in class, Eric tries to draw her out, while reminiscing about how they banded together against the cruelty of other students and how he panicked that he'd lose her when he started losing weight. Strong language. For high school and older readers. 1993.

The Road to Wellville RC 40674
by T. Coraghessan Boyle
read by Conrad Feininger
4 cassettes
Battle Creek, Michigan, 1907. C.W. Post and Dr. John Harvey Kellogg are becoming famous for their breakfast cereals. Post has a diner, and Kellogg has opened a spa, where he extols the value of healthy eating and exercise to cure "autointoxication"—too much meat and too much sex. Will and Eleanor Lightbody have come for the cure, but Will almost dies taking it. And Charles Ossining wants to get a piece of the cereal business. Some strong language. 1993.

The Stranger from the Sea: A Novel of Cornwall, 1810–1811 RC 40684
by Winston Graham
read by Patrick Horgan
3 cassettes (Reissue)
Eighth novel in the Poldark family saga. War with France and the mental instability of King George III require Ross Poldark's presence in London. During his absence from Cornwall, the lives of his children, Jeremy and Clowance, are profoundly changed by the arrival of a handsome castaway. Prequel to *The Miller's Dance (RC 41904)*. 1981.

The Queen from Provence: The Plantagenet Saga, Volume 6 RC 40686
by Jean Plaidy
read by John Horton
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Historical novel about Eleanor of Provence, a beauty without a dowry, who nevertheless wins the heart of King Henry III of England. Precocious Eleanor soon dominates her husband and, through him, England itself. Sequel to *The Battle of the Queens (RC 38826)*. 1981.

The Loving Cup: A Novel of Cornwall, 1813–1815 RC 40687
by Winston Graham
read by Patrick Horgan
3 cassettes (Reissue)
The tenth novel in the Poldark family saga focuses on the children of Ross and Demelza. The attractive Poldarks of Cornwall are flourishing in post-Napoleonic euphoria and feeling the first stirrings of the Industrial Revolu-

tion. The second generation, raised to make free choices even when they defy convention, are involved in liaisons, romantic and otherwise. Sequel to *The Miller's Dance (RC 41904)*. 1984.

There's Nothing to Be Afraid Of: A Sharon McCone Mystery RC 40709
by Marcia Muller
read by Pam Ward
2 cassettes
P.I. Sharon McCone's friend Carolyn Bui, director of the Refugee Assistant Center, asks Sharon to help investigate strange doings at the Globe Apartment Hotel in San Francisco's Tenderloin area. The neighborhood has been taken over by Vietnamese immigrants trying to make a living and by those who prey on them. Apparently someone wants them to leave, for there has been a murder. Strong language. 1985.

Ask the Cards a Question RC 40746
by Marcia Muller
read by Pam Ward
1 cassette
Private investigator Sharon McCone arrives home late one night to find her apartment building full of police. Lieutenant Greg Marcus, who is still trying to get Sharon to marry him, informs her that her neighbor Molly Antonio has been murdered. Sharon finds herself investigating in her own neighborhood and soon uncovers blackmail and big-time crime right under her nose. Strong language. 1982.

Edwin of the Iron Shoes RC 40747
by Marcia Muller
read by Pam Ward
1 cassette
Someone has been vandalizing a group of antique stores in San Francisco, and the owners think it's part of a ploy to force them out. Sharon McCone of All Souls Legal Cooperative has been investigating, but now the crimes have escalated to the murder of antique dealer Joan Albritton. Sharon joins forces with police lieutenant Gregory Marcus to crack the case. Strong language. 1977.

South to Destiny: This Land, This Time, Volume 4 RC 40850
by Dobrica Ćosić
read by Ed Blake
3 cassettes
Conclusion of the epic quartet set in Serbia during World War I. As the battle drags on, the Serbian soldiers are once again almost surrounded by enemy forces. This time, without Allied assistance and joined by refugees, they stage a mass exodus southward across the mountains toward the Albanian coast. Retreat costs thousands of lives, and those who survive are content just to be alive. Sequel to *Reach to Eternity (RC 40849)*. 1981.

Generation Warriors RC 41103
by Anne McCaffrey and Elizabeth Moon
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
3 cassettes
Fleet Commander Sassinak leads a motley team of allies, both lightweights and heavyworlders, in pursuit of the planet pirates who enslaved her as a child. But Sassinak's passionate vendetta, her reluctance to follow orders, and her investigations of the super rich may generate more trouble than she and her friends can handle. Sequel to *The Death of Sleep (RC 41102)*. For junior and senior high and older readers. 1993.

Earthborn: Homecoming, Volume 5 RC 41188
by Orson Scott Card
read by Carole Jordan Stewart
3 cassettes
Five hundred years after reaching Earth, the descendants of Nafai have repopulated it, while Shedemei, the only survivor of the original travelers, remains in orbit with the ailing Oversoul computer. As the humans try to get along with two other intelligent races that evolved during humanity's absence, Shedemei continues to search for the Keeper of Earth. Sequel to *Earthfall (RC 41167)*. 1995.

Sons of an Ancient Glory: An Emerald Ballad, Volume 4 RC 41306
by B.J. Hoff
read by Terry Donnelly
3 cassettes
The Fitzgeralds in Ireland and the Whittakers and Burkes in America have had their faith tested time and time again as each family faced more than its share of tragedy and sorrow. But there have been good times, too, as children were born and love was rekindled. Now new people are arriving and will change the families' lives forever. Sequel to *Land of a Thousand Dreams (RC 41305)*. 1993.

Tuesday the Rabbi Saw Red RC 41383
by Harry Kemelman
read by Barry Bernson
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Rabbi Small is happy with his part-time teaching job at a small college until a nasty colleague is killed by a bust of Homer. Some strong language. 1973.

A Song for Silas RC 41473
by Lori Wick
read by Mary Woods
1 cassette
Wisconsin, 1889. Life has not been kind to Amy Nolan lately. Four years ago her mother died, and several months ago her fiancé ended their engagement. Now Amy's father, Grant, has broken his leg just as planting season begins. In answer to their prayers, Silas Cameron, who helped them when Mrs. Grant died, has come to their aid again. But soon the brotherly feeling that Amy and Silas had before begins to change. Sequel to *A Place Called Home (RC 41472)*. 1990.

Child of the Dead RC 41506
by Don Coldsmith
read by Jill Ferris
2 cassettes
Running Deer, the aging matriarch of an eighteenth-century Native American tribe, mourns over the death of her husband and sees no point in living any longer. As a final act, she leaves her people and goes to care for a small girl, the lone survivor of a neighboring tribe killed off by smallpox. Both Running Deer and the child survive the disease and eventually rejoin the tribe where they make a new life together and face new challenges. 1995.

Across the Sea of Suns RC 41574
by Gregory Benford
read by Gary Tipton
3 cassettes
In the mid twenty-first century, Nigel Walmsley leads the first human interstellar mission to contact an alien civilization and to learn about a terrible peril that threatens the galaxy. Even as this mission is carried out, Earth's oceans are infested with dangerous

alien life forms that disrupt ocean-going travel and commerce. Second novel of the Galactic Center series, sequel to *In the Ocean of Night (RC 41573)*. Some strong language. 1984.

The Black Gryphon: The Mage Wars, Book 1 RC 41577
by Mercedes Lackey and Larry Dixon
read by James DeLotel
3 cassettes
Skandranon is the finest and most noble of the race of gryphons created by the sorcerer Urtho to be his champions and defend his realm. Now the evil mage Ma'ar advances against Urtho with his own cruel birds of prey, and Skandranon is sent to spy on the invaders, while his human friend, Amberdrake, anxiously awaits his return. Prequel to *The White Gryphon (RC 41578)*. 1994.

Gate of His Enemies: The Appomattox Saga, Book 2 RC 41580
by Gilbert Morris
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
The war has come, and Deborah Steele, a member of the northern branch of the Rocklin clan, finds herself in a precarious position. She is in love with Dent Rocklin, a Confederate soldier. Deborah has also accepted responsibility for the family of Noel Kojak, who is fighting for the North. As war rages, Deborah is torn between her loyalties to the North and to Dent Rocklin. Sequel to *A Covenant of Love (RC 41579)*. 1992.

Fireblossom RC 41616
by Cynthia Wright
read by Madelyn Buzzard
3 cassettes
1876. Madeleine Avery and her family have left Philadelphia and come to Deadwood, a mining camp in the Black Hills, to be with her father. Also new in town is Daniel Matthews, who is trying to forget his failure to prevent Custer's attack on the Indians. When Madeleine learns she has an Indian half-sister, she and Daniel set out to locate Sun Smile and find romance along the way. Strong language, some violence, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1992.

The Collected Stories of Max Brand RC 41617
by Max Brand
read by Roy Avers
3 cassettes
Max Brand was just one of more than twenty pseudonyms used by Frederick Schiller Faust during his years of writing between 1917 and 1944. Eighteen of his more than nine hundred short stories are included in this collection. Only a few are westerns, and one, "A Special Occasion," is autobiographical. Some strong language. 1994.

The Pardon RC 41625
by James Grippando
read by Ray Foushee
2 cassettes
Attorney Jack Swyteck pleads with his estranged father, the governor of Florida, to pardon a man scheduled to die that morning. The senior Swyteck refuses, because Jack won't reveal who proved to him that the prisoner was innocent. Two years later, the governor is paying a blackmailer for silence about the execution, and Jack is framed for murder. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

Desperate Measures RC 41626
by David Morrell
read by Roy Avers
2 cassettes
Since his son's death from cancer, news-

paperman Matt Pittman's life has been in quick decline. He quits the obituary job he was demoted to and prepares his suicide. Then his friend and former boss requests that he prepare one last obituary for an ailing political figure Pittman investigated years earlier. Pittman reluctantly agrees but is soon accused of murdering his subject. Strong language and violence. 1994.

The Final Judgment RC 41627
by Richard North Patterson
read by Mitzi Friedlander
3 cassettes
Caroline Masters has just been appointed as a judge with the U.S. Court of Appeals when she receives a call asking her to return home. Her niece, Brett Allen, has been accused of murder, and they would like Caroline to defend Brett. It has been twenty years since Caroline left New Hampshire, and as she prepares a defense for her niece, Caroline must deal with an unresolved past that still haunts her. Strong language and explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1995.

Hardware RC 41633
by Linda Barnes
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
Tall, red-haired P.I. and cab driver, Carlotta Carlyle, from *Snapshot (RC 38241)*, decides to buy a computer for her detective business. Meanwhile, her lover and part-owner of the cab company, Sam Gianelli, is convinced his office is being bugged by the Organized Crime Task Force because he is the son of a mobster, and Carlotta is asked to find out who is beating up the cabbies of Boston. Strong language and some violence. 1995.

Last Chance for Glory RC 41634
by Stephen Solomita
read by Bruce Huntey
2 cassettes
Young, retarded panhandler Billy Sowell is arrested for murdering a woman and persuaded to confess. Later a successful attorney agrees to work pro bono to clear Sowell's name and hires investigator Marty Blake. Blake's search turns up alcoholic retired cop Bela Kosinski, who arrested Sowell. Kosinski decides to help inexperienced Blake untangle the cover-up that put Sowell away. Strong language, violence, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

A Certain Justice RC 41636
by John T. Lescroart
read by Ray Foushee
3 cassettes
In San Francisco, a black man seen killing white accountant Michael Mullen gets off on a technicality. At Mullen's wake, his friends retaliate by lynching a black man they wrongly assume is stealing a BMW. Horrified, Kevin Shea attempts to cut the man down to save him. Shea fails, and a picture of his attempt seems to show him as the leader of the lynch mob. Strong language, violence, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1995.

Power of Pinjarra: Australian Destiny, Book 2 RC 41670
by Sandy Dengler
read by Graeme Malcolm
2 cassettes
Marty Frobel grew up on a cattle ranch in Australia's outback. Pearl Fowkes came to the outback when her father became a preacher. Pearl and Marty quickly become friends. As the years go by, Marty turns his attention to running

his own cattle station, Pinjarra, and Pearl feels the need for a better life than one in the outback. But they will meet again. Sequel to *Code of Honor (RC 41655)*. 1989.

The Furies RC 41695
by Suzy McKee Charnas
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
3 cassettes
Alldera leads a band of free fems back to Holdfast to conquer her male former masters. She finds that most of the men have killed off one another and that the greatest enemy she now faces is dissension among her fellow fems. Alldera must now learn how to apply her skills to secure a new and just future for both genders. Sequel to *"Walk to the End of the World" and "Motherlines" (RC 41694)*. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

Stardust and Shadows RC 41702
by Janelle Taylor
read by Ilona Dulaski
4 cassettes
In this sequel to *Moondust and Madness (RC 41701)*, earthling Jana Greyson has fallen in love with her captor, starship commander Varian Saar, who has confessed his love and proposed marriage. But Jana awakens to find she is the wife of Varian's nemesis and half-brother Ryker—or is he Varian pretending to be Ryker? Prequel to *Starlight and Splendor (RC 41703)*. Some strong language, some violence, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1992.

Cruel April: A Dave Garrett Mystery RC 41712
by Neil Albert
read by Bob Moore
2 cassettes
Disbarred attorney turned private eye Dave Garrett, from *Burning March (RC 39795)*, is waiting for his lover, Kate McMahan, at the Philadelphia airport. She is leaving her husband to be with Dave, but she isn't on the plane. When Dave learns her luggage and ticket came without her, he begins a three-day search for Kate that puts his life at risk again and again. Strong language and violence. 1995.

The Winshaw Legacy; or, What a Carve Up! RC 41722
by Jonathan Coe
read by Steven Carpenter
3 cassettes
The Winshaw family of Yorkshire hires Michael Owen to write the family's biography. He has been cautioned that the family consists of "the meanest, greediest, cruellest bunch of backstabbing penny-pinching" people on earth. Michael makes some unusual discoveries, including a possible connection to his own life. Some violence, some strong language, and some descriptions of sex. 1994.

A River Town RC 41726
by Thomas Keneally
read by Corrie James
3 cassettes
Irishman Tim Shea came to Australia hoping to make a new life for himself. He becomes a shop owner in the town of Kempsey in the Macleay Valley, marries, and has two children. But in the summer of 1898, a sequence of events almost destroys Tim. He is greatly affected by the death of a young woman, the orphaning of a little girl, and the threat of plague. Some strong language. 1995.

Tom Clancy's Op-Center: Mirror Image
RC 41739
by Tom Clancy and Steve Pieczenik
read by Jim Zeiger
3 cassettes
After the cold war, Moscow Minister of the Interior Dogin has lost an election, but he is not about to give up all power: he has a secret command center in St. Petersburg with reconnaissance and surgical strike capabilities. Dogin's group will have a rival operations center to contend with: the Washington, D.C., National Crisis Management Center. Strong language and violence. Bestseller 1995.

Only Love RC 41742
by Elizabeth Lowell
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Passing through Echo Basin, wanderer Whip Moran is attracted to Shannon Conner. Shannon lives in a remote cabin with bounty hunter Silent John. What Whip and the townsfolk don't know is that Silent John is Shannon's great-uncle, not her husband, and he has been gone for many seasons. Shannon is running out of supplies but resists taking help from men who want sex in return. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1995.

Hour of the Rose RC 41752
by Christina Skye
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Nicholas Draycott has asked his long-time friend Michael Burke to help locate an urn full of microfilm buried on Nicholas's English estate. Also searching for the urn is American archaeologist Kelly Hamilton, who has second sight. But others also want the urn, and Michael and Kelly soon find themselves involved with the Draycott Abbey ghosts and entangled in a web of deceit and betrayal. Strong language and explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

Shadow's End RC 41757
by Sheri S. Tepper
read by Mary Woods
3 cassettes
A mysterious force sweeps across the galaxy depopulating colonized worlds. Only the backwater planet Dinadh seems to be immune. Linguist Lutha Tallstaff is sent to investigate Dinadh's cultural and religious practices, which may be a key to the immunity. Her mission also leads her to Leelson Famber, the noted adventurer, who happens to be her former lover and the father of her son. Together they face a mystery of cosmic importance to humankind. 1994.

True Betrayals RC 41762
by Nora Roberts
read by Mary Woods
3 cassettes
The day she receives her divorce decree, Kelsey Byden, twenty-six, gets a startling letter. It is from the mother she had been told died when Kelsey was a toddler. Naomi Chadwick had been sent to prison for killing a man and didn't want young Kelsey to know. Kelsey agrees to visit Naomi at her Virginia horse farm but must fight an attraction to the man she believes is her mother's lover. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1995.

Dark Wing RC 41778
by Richard Herman
read by Jim Zeiger
4 cassettes
Returning to the Pentagon from his grandfather's funeral, Lieutenant Colonel Matthew Pontowski III has decisions to make. He loves flying, he feels trapped in Pentagon bureaucracy, and he refuses to use influence to further his career. So Matt takes the minor job of deactivating a fighter squadron that ends up in major combat in China. Sequel to *Call to Duty (RC 41460)*. Strong language, violence, and some descriptions of sex. 1994.

Frontier Lady: Lone Star Legacy, Volume 1 RC 41788
by Judith Pella
read by Madelyn Buzzard
3 cassettes
Deborah grows up in Virginia, but the Civil War takes a toll on her family and friends, and so she joins the Stoners, distant relatives, in Texas. She is supposed to marry Leonard Stoner, a young man set to inherit a fortune. Deborah ignores the warnings of her friends who advise her to flee Texas at her first chance, and now she stands accused of murder. Prequel to *Stoner's Crossing (RC 41789)*. 1993.

Flaunting, Extravagant Queen RC 41812
by Jean Plaidy
read by Laura Giannarelli
3 cassettes
Fictional account of the life of Marie Antoinette. Wed at fifteen to the withdrawn and awkward young Dauphin, dainty Antoinette was accustomed to charming those around her, but she had no such effect on her husband, Louis XVI. A spirited nature won her criticism at court, and, though she produced an heir, rumors of her extravagance outraged an impoverished populace. Sequel to *The Road to Compiègne (RC 41811)*. Some descriptions of sex. 1957.

Primary Colors: A Novel of Politics RC 41822
by Anonymous
read by Michael Stanton
3 cassettes
Parallels Bill Clinton's 1992 presidential campaign. When Jack Stanton, a southern governor, makes a run for the presidency, he recruits Henry Burton as his deputy campaign manager. At first Henry sees the opportunity to gain an insider's view of politics as a welcome distraction. But the business of politics soon builds a formidable backdrop to Henry's personal identity crisis. Strong language. Bestseller 1996.

The Passionate Enemies RC 41825
by Jean Plaidy
read by Anne Hancock
3 cassettes
The death of his only son leaves Henry I worried about the future of the throne. His spirited daughter, Matilda, who is married to the doddering emperor of Germany, and his scheming nephew Stephen begin their plots for succession. Now enemies, their passion for power is matched by their passion for each other, which was kindled long ago. Sequel to *Lion of Justice (RC 40330)*. Some descriptions of sex. 1976.

Pink Vodka Blues RC 41828
by Neal Barrett Jr.
read by Gary Roan
2 cassettes
Russell Murray, an alcoholic writer for the *Chicago Literary Times*, wakes up

badly hung over in a hotel room with a young woman he can't recall meeting. Two thugs break in, shoot the girl, and take off after Russ. He escapes only to wake up in a detox institution, where he remembers that before all this happened, his boss had sent him on a strange errand involving a briefcase. Strong language, violence, and some descriptions of sex. 1992.

The Stainless Steel Rat Sings the Blues RC 41839
by Harry Harrison
read by John Polk
2 cassettes
Jim diGriz, twenty-fifth-century con man and thief, faces certain execution for attempted robbery on the planet Paskönjak, where they believe in penalty first and trial later. Fortunately, at the last minute, the Galactic League steps in and offers him a deal. He can gain his life and freedom if he undertakes a dangerous mission to infiltrate a prison planet and recover a priceless alien artifact. 1994.

Pretty Boy Floyd: A Novel RC 41848
by Larry McMurtry and Diana Ossana
read by Roy Avers
3 cassettes
Charley Floyd is a good-looking farm boy needing money to support his wife and baby boy. After his first bank robbery, he just can't help buying a fancy flivver, fine jewelry, and an expensive suit, which draw the law's attention. His good looks, common background, generous spending, and politeness to hostages make him a folk hero, despite his topping the FBI's Most Wanted list. Violence and some descriptions of sex. 1994.

The Hellion RC 41850
by LaVyrle Spencer
read by Carol Dines
2 cassettes
Tommy Lee Gentry is known as a hell-raiser in his hometown of Russellville, Alabama. He has been married three times, drives fast cars, drinks, and almost always has a woman with him. He has never been happy, but there is a chance for things to change. Rachel, his childhood sweetheart, is free again. Descriptions of sex. 1984.

Jessie: A Novel Based on the Life of Jessie Benton Frémont RC 41852
by Judy Alter
read by Mitzi Friedlander
3 cassettes
After her husband's death, Jessie Benton Frémont begins writing about her life of involvement in nineteenth-century politics, issues, and adventures. Jessie sees her life in three stages: as the daughter of Senator Thomas Hart Benton of Missouri; as the wife of John Charles Frémont, explorer, soldier, senator, and presidential candidate; and as a historical writer and ghostwriter for her father and her husband. 1995.

The Jericho Iteration RC 41859
by Allen Steele
read by Roy Avers
2 cassettes
A year after an earthquake has devastated the Midwest, reporter and computer hack Gerry Rosen attempts to put his life back together amid the ruins of his native St. Louis. After the federal government establishes martial law in the city, Rosen puts himself in danger when he uncovers information about a government conspiracy and a powerful

secret weapon that threatens the country's safety. Strong language. 1994.

The Jeweled Spur: The House of Winslow, Book 16 RC 41860
by Gilbert Morris
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
Laurie Winslow, eighteen and bored with life in the late-1800s military post at Fort Grant, Arizona, is delighted when she gets a chance to pursue her desire to write by attending college. But after a year, she must stop and earn some money. While working for Buffalo Bill's Wild West Show, she is reunited with an old friend, Cody Rogers, who is running from a troubled past. Sequel to *The Gallant Outlaw (RC 39753)*. 1994.

Hidden Fires RC 41863
by Sandra Brown
read by Madelyn Buzzard
3 cassettes
Lauren Holbrook, daughter of a preacher, leaves her North Carolina home and comes to Texas to work for Ben Lockett. But when she arrives, she learns that Ben died that very morning. Now what is she to do? When Ben's wife, Olivia, asks Lauren to enter an in-name-only marriage with son Jared, Lauren agrees but suspects the motives behind the request. Strong language, explicit descriptions of sex, and some violence. 1982.

Finder RC 41870
by Emma Bull
read by John Polk
2 cassettes
Young runaway Orient comes to Bordertown, a crossroads between the real world and Elfland where both elves and humans live and science and magic mix in strange ways. But Bordertown has typical urban problems, and Orient uses his knack for finding lost objects to help tough female cop Sunny Rico solve a grisly murder and confront other sinister mysteries. Strong language. For senior high and older readers. 1994.

Summer of Love RC 41871
by Lisa Mason
read by Madelyn Buzzard
3 cassettes
A time traveler from the twenty-fifth century is sent to track down an individual crucial to the preservation of the time stream. His mission takes him to the San Francisco Haight-Ashbury district during the 1967 "summer of love" where he meets Susan Stein, a fourteen-year-old runaway who has come to San Francisco to sample the flower-child experience. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

Shadow of a Dark Queen: Serpentwar Saga, Volume 1 RC 41872
by Raymond E. Feist
read by Roy Avers
3 cassettes
The reptilian Pantathians have invaded Midkemia and are amassing in the land of Novindus to begin a war of conquest. Meanwhile, in the Kingdom of the Isles, Erik Darkmoor and his friend Rupert stand convicted of murder, but they are spared on the condition that they undertake a desperate mission against the Pantathians. Violence. 1994.

Mint Julep Murder RC 41877
by Carolyn G. Hart
read by Ann Hodapp
2 cassettes
Death on Demand bookstore owner Annie Darling, from *Southern Ghost (RC 39667)*, is acting as author liaison at the Dixie Book Festival on Hilton Head Island. Mint Julep publisher Ken-

neth Hazlitt generates a lot of anger with his proposed book, which promises to feature the festival's five medallion-winning authors in a not-so-flattering light. When Hazlitt is poisoned, Annie is shocked that she is the prime suspect. Some strong language. 1995.

The Tea Planter's Bride RC 41879
by Rosemary Rogers
read by Mitzi Friedlander
3 cassettes
Born to a gypsy dancer and an Englishman, Celia Penmaris is living with her late father's bishop cousin and his wife, Gertrude, in England. In 1892, Gertrude is shocked to learn that Celia's father's will stipulates that Celia be turned over to her aunt Willie. Celia is to come out in society, and Willie has just the escort for her: her stepson Grant Hamilton. Strong language, some violence, and some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1995.

Phoenix Rising RC 41881
by John J. Nance
read by Mitzi Friedlander
3 cassettes
Elizabeth Sterling, an investment banker, helps Ron Lamb get the needed financing for his new airline—Pan Am. In fact Elizabeth is so good at her job that Ron persuades her to join the company as chief financial officer. But shortly after starting work at Pan Am, Elizabeth finds herself fighting to save the airline from the "accidents" that plague it. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1994.

Absolute Power RC 41882
by David Baldacci
read by Roy Avers
3 cassettes
At sixty-six, with several jail terms behind him, Luther Whitney has decided this will be his last robbery. Everything goes according to plan—until Christine Sullivan comes home unexpectedly. Luther quickly hides in the walk-in safe and discovers it contains a one-way window. Soon Luther finds himself witnessing a brutal murder involving the president of the United States. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1996.

A Southern Exposure RC 41886
by Alice Adams
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
To renew their lives after the Stock Market crash and the depression, the Baird family hopes they can find refuge from a stale Connecticut existence by moving to a small southern town. The South seems to offer a simpler, somewhat "exotic" life. In reality, their new community is much more complex and rich and perhaps truly offers the Bairds a new start, but a different one from what they expected. Strong language and explicit descriptions of sex. 1995.

Tangled Roots RC 41888
by Taffy Cannon
read by Jill Fox
2 cassettes
When flower-grower Shane Pettigrew is killed, the police arrest his boyhood friend Adam Chandler. Adam's gun was found near the corpse, as was a wrapper from his favorite chewing gum. Adam's pregnant wife, Julie, calls her sister, Nan Robinson of the California bar association. Nan discovers that Adam had motive—he had just learned of an affair between Shane and Julie—but Julie swears he's innocent. Some strong language and some violence. 1995.

The Hellfire Club RC 41890
by Peter Straub
read by Mitzi Friedlander
4 cassettes
Symptoms of menopause and nightmares about her service in Vietnam become the least of Nora Chancel's problems when she is kidnapped by a serial-killer neighbor. On the run, the unlikely pair collect evidence that Nora's husband's family-owned publishing company was once involved in a murder. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. Best-seller 1996.

Maybe This Time RC 41896
by Barbara Bretton
read by Ann Hodapp
2 cassettes
Television personality Christine Cannon, divorced from Joe McMurphy for six years, is surprised when he and his new wife turn up on her doorstep asking for help. Joe has married the daughter of a king in order to get her out of her country. But Joe is not prepared for the problems created by a new wife, especially one who is pregnant. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1995.

Trail of Secrets RC 41912
by Eileen Goudge
read by Mitzi Friedlander
3 cassettes
Years after Ellie's baby is stolen from her, her grief is compounded by infertility and a series of failed adoptions. When another adoption possibility arises, Ellie risks more heartbreak and even losing her husband to try again. What she doesn't realize is that the birth mother is her own long-lost daughter. Some strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1996.

Katherine RC 41932
by Anchee Min
read by Yolande Bavan
2 cassettes
Zebra Wong's red-lipsticked American teacher, Katherine, represents everything about the West that Shanghai is not. Katherine is comfortable in her perfume and seductive clothing, in her passions and political naivete. Zebra grew up during the Cultural Revolution, loving Mao, but now Chinese society has reformed itself, leaving life complicated and often dangerous. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1995.

The Brandons RC 41938
by Angela Thirkell
read by Patricia Kilgarriff
2 cassettes (Reissue)
The chief characters in this light tale of English country-house life are Mrs. Brandon, a middle-aged widow with two grown children, and her husband's aunt, Miss Brandon, who threatens to leave her money elsewhere if she is not given the attention she feels is her due. 1939.

The Diamond Age RC 41956
by Neal Stephenson
read by Mary Kane
4 cassettes
Mid-twenty-first-century Shanghai is home to myriad social tribes, including a neo-Victorian upper class that maintains its power through information technology. When young Nell gets a stolen educational computer designed by a neo-Victorian engineer, she is introduced to a magical realm and goes on a quest that will have far-reaching

effects for her own life and the future of her world. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1995.

Reservation Blues RC 41962
by Sherman Alexie
read by Norman Fitz
2 cassettes
Thomas Builds-the-Fire is an unlikely rock band leader: he is a little goofy looking and is kind and considerate. But he has the guitar of blues great Robert Johnson, and its music compels others to join the group Coyote Springs. The band's tale includes some wild stories about others in the Spokane tribe and is told with wry humor, mysticism, and warmth. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1995.

Shortgrass Song RC 41964
by Mike Blakely
read by Robert Sams
4 cassettes
With its buffalo hunts, trail drives, Indian wars, and shoot-outs, the Texas range country gives young Caleb more adventure than he could have imagined back in Pennsylvania. His parents' former role in the underground railroad brings them the help of Buster, a runaway slave. On his westward journey, Buster's meeting with the Arapaho completes the scene for this saga of the Holcomb family, early Texas ranchers. Some violence. 1994.

Face of an Angel RC 41974
by Denise Chavez
read by Ilona Dulaski
3 cassettes
Soveida Dosamantes, a waitress at El Farol restaurant in the small New Mexico town of Agua Oscura, has learned from her mother the Mexican tradition of servitude to husbands and to God. A divorcée and widow, she has also learned to survive with humor and to treasure what life offers, including family and a slightly crazy community. Some strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

Pandora's Clock RC 41988
by John J. Nance
read by David Hartley-Margolin
3 cassettes
After American 747 flight 66 leaves Germany, a passenger has a heart attack. Pilot James Holland is shocked when London refuses to let him make an emergency landing. The passenger was exposed to a mysterious virus and no country (not even the United States) wants to handle a possible epidemic. Doctor Sanders of the CIA is Holland's only real ally, but Sanders must convince the pilot of that in time to save him. Strong language and violence. Bestseller 1995.

Come to Grief RC 41990
by Dick Francis
read by Bob Askey
2 cassettes
Private investigator Sid Halley has put his friend on trial. It took days of inner turmoil for Sid to act on his findings that Ellis Quint, also a former jockey, was mutilating young horses. But that is just the beginning of Sid's problems. He himself becomes the victim of a smear campaign, and on the day Sid is to testify, Ellis Quint's mother commits suicide and his father attacks Sid. Some strong language. Bestseller 1995.

The Web RC 41992
by Jonathan Kellerman
read by David Hartley-Margolin
3 cassettes
While their house is rebuilt, child psy-

chologist Alex Delaware, his lover, Robin Castagna, and their dog, Spike, accept an invitation to spend a few months on an island. Their host is aging Dr. Moreland, who wants Alex to help him turn a career's worth of notes into something publishable. But Alex soon suspects there is a more pressing reason he has been summoned. Some strong language, some violence, and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1995.

Into the Fire RC 41997
by David Wiltse
read by Chuck Benson
2 cassettes
Serial killer Darnell Cooper is about to be released from prison. His cellmate, Swann, has endured being Coop's lover and confidante, and now he wants revenge. Swann knows of victims the police haven't connected to Coop. And he knows Coop will kill again. He contacts FBI agent John Becker, from *The Edge of Sleep (RC 37626)*, who is still troubled by his ability to think like a serial killer. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

Run! RC 42003
by Patricia Wentworth
read by Jim Zeiger
2 cassettes
Rolls Royce salesman James Elliot is driving a company car when he gets lost in a thick fog. Stopping at a house for help, James is shot at as a young woman urges him to run. After they escape, the woman tells James such an outrageous story that he leaves in disgust. When he meets her again at his cousin's party and then a coworker mistaken for James is killed, James begins to take the woman seriously. Some violence. 1938.

Choices RC 42004
by Mary Lee Settle
read by Yvonne Fair Tessler
4 cassettes
Reminiscing with a box of memorabilia, Melinda Kregg reflects on the choices she has made in her eighty-two years. After her ruined father killed himself, Melinda turned her back on Richmond high society and began a lifetime of social and political action. During a turbulent century, her heart led her to a coal strike in Kentucky, the Spanish Civil War, wartime London, and the civil rights movement. Strong language and some violence. 1995.

The Trickster RC 42005
by Muriel Gray
read by David Hartley-Margolin
4 cassettes
After a troubled youth, Canadian Indian Sam Hunt has abandoned his tribal ways, married a white woman, and taken a job at a ski resort. But when the malevolent god, the Trickster, takes on animal forms and begins mutilation killings, Sam is forced to draw on his shaman training to avoid being accused of the murders himself. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1995.

Katharine, the Virgin Widow RC 42006
by Jean Plaidy
read by Jill Ferris
2 cassettes
A fictional account of Katharine of Aragon, who weds Arthur, heir apparent to England. Because they are too young to consummate their marriage, Arthur's death leaves Katharine without position. Intrigue in the Spanish and English courts further complicates her fate. Who will the bold Henry, Arthur's younger

brother who has admired Katharine, take as his queen? Sequel to *Uneasy Lies the Head (RC 37986)*. Some descriptions of sex. 1993.

Children of the World RC 42009
by Martha Stephens
read by Yvonne Fair Tessler
3 cassettes
Widowed Margaret Barker has long worked for a Georgia juvenile court. As she worries over the cases before the judge, Margaret thinks back to her own troubled childhood and marriage. Her mother was slow and her three siblings retarded. When Margaret's father left them for another woman, Margaret's grandmother took in only her. Later Margaret managed to create a safe home for her own children despite her abusive husband. Some strong language. 1994.

Eye Killers RC 42010
by A.A. Carr
read by Bob Askey
3 cassettes
Albuquerque high school student Melissa Roanhorse is approached by a mysterious man named Falke. The next day at school, Melissa fights off teachers concerned with her bizarre behavior and disappears. Teacher Diana Logan seeks out Melissa's Navajo grandfather, Michael, to help her track down Melissa, who has been chosen as the next wife for vampire Falke. Michael must remember tribal methods to combat the evil. Strong language and violence. 1995.

Watch Me RC 42014
by A.J. Holt
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
3 cassettes
After FBI agent Jay Fletcher blows a serial murder case by illegal computer searching, she is sent to New Mexico to track an arsonist. There she uses her computer program to identify another serial killer and then murders him. Through his computer, she discovers Special K, a bulletin board for serial killers. Meanwhile an ex-agent searches for a killer he has known about for years. Strong language, violence, and some descriptions of sex. 1995.

A Stranger in the Mirror RC 42019
by Sidney Sheldon
read by David Hartley-Margolin
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Toby Temple is a very popular comedian, but he hasn't been able to find love. Meanwhile aspiring actress Jill Castle's career is going nowhere, and her true love, David Kenyon, has been forced to marry someone else. When Toby falls for Jill, she sees a chance to get back at Hollywood for not accepting her. Her plan works perfectly for a while, but then disaster strikes. Strong language, explicit descriptions of sex, and some violence. 1976.

You Can't Catch Me RC 42020
by Rosamond Smith
read by David Hartley-Margolin
2 cassettes
A psychological thriller about Tristram Heade, who steps off the train in Philadelphia and unwittingly into the identity of Angus Markham. The hotel staff, his possessions, even a beautiful woman who appears at his door all identify him as the unknown Markham. The woman, Fleur, who is also Zoe, tells a bizarre tale of an abusive husband. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1995.

Ronicky Doone's Reward RC 42021
by Max Brand
read by Bob Askey
2 cassettes
There is a feud going on in Twin Springs, and Ronicky Doone, who has just ridden into town, finds himself in the middle of it. Years ago, Steve Bennett tried to put Al Jenkins out of business, but Al left town and struck it rich in the Alaska gold fields. Now Al is back. He is putting a lot of money into the dying town, and he wants his land back from Steve. Most of the town's people back Al, but not Ronicky. Strong language and violence. 1922.

Wonder Boys RC 42023
by Michael Chabon
read by David Hartley-Margolin
2 cassettes
English professor Grady Tripp picks up his buddy and editor, Terry Crabtree, at the airport. The fat joint he smokes while waiting begins an absurd weekend. Then Crabtree, a stolen tuba, and a tag-along transvestite are loaded into Tripp's 1966 Galaxie. The hapless Tripp loses the only copy of his novel manuscript, but the farcical weekend provides all new material. Stong language and some descriptions of sex. 1995.

This Side of Judgment RC 42026
by J.R. Dunn
read by David Hartley-Margolin
2 cassettes
A woman's mutilated corpse is found in Montana, and a suspect is arrested, but Ross Bohlen of the Computer Subversion Strike Force in Washington, D.C., knows they got the wrong man. He thinks the murder was done by a chiphead—one of a group of people who had computer chips installed in their heads. Recently, an unforeseen horrible condition called Pelton's has been taking over the chipheads one by one. Strong language and violence. 1994.

Octopussy: The Last Great Adventures of James Bond 007 RC 42029
by Ian Fleming
read by Jim Zeiger
1 cassette
In the title story, James Bond has tracked down Major Smythe, who killed Bond's German friend for gold years earlier. After Smythe confesses, Bond tells him he has a week before he will be arrested. Smythe takes one last lunch to the octopus he has been feeding in the ocean. Other stories are "The Living Daylights" and "The Property of a Lady." Violence and some strong language. 1965.

When She Hollers RC 42030
by Cynthia Voigt
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
1 cassette
One morning Tish warns her stepfather, Tonnie, that she is carrying a knife at all times. Her mother ignores the conversation. As Tish walks to school with the knife tucked in her boot, she thinks about Miranda, the classmate who hanged herself last week. Tish knows she and Miranda shared the same problem, but Tish doesn't want to die. Some strong language. For high school and older readers. 1994.

McNally's Puzzle RC 42037
by Lawrence Sanders
read by Chuck Benson
2 cassettes
Archy McNally, Discreet Inquiries Department of McNally and Son, has been asked to look into some unusual incidents plaguing Hiram Gottschalk.

Gottschalk, owner of Parrots Unlimited, a recent widower and father of twin girls and a rather "undisciplined" son, believes his life is in danger. Some strong language. Bestseller 1996.

Spring Collection RC 42040
by Judith Krantz
read by Ann Hodapp
3 cassettes
Ex-model Justine Loring now has her own modeling agency, and three of her models have just been chosen to star in the first showing of clothes by new designer Marco Lombardi. Lombardi is backed by Jacques Necker, the father Justine has never met. Strong language and explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1996.

Archangel RC 42053
by Michael Conner
read by John Stratton
2 cassettes
An alternate history novel depicting a world of the late 1920s after a devastating plague has killed a great number of white people while leaving blacks unaffected. White reporter Danny Constantine and black cop Dooley Willson investigate a weird series of vampire-like murders and discover a diabolical connection to a mysterious radio broadcaster and a brilliant physician working on a cure for the plague. Violence and strong language. 1995.

The Raven Ring RC 42054
by Patricia C. Wrede
read by Patricia Kilgarriff
2 cassettes
Eleret Salven, a young warrior woman from the mountains of Cilhar, learns of her mother's death in battle, and it falls to her to travel to the city of Ciaron to claim her mother's effects. For unknown reasons, others are interested in one of her mother's possessions, and Eleret faces unexpected danger and intrigue. Fantasy adventure set on the world of Lyra. For senior high and older readers. 1994.

Three Complete Novels: *Lights, Laughter, and a Lady*, *Love in the Moon*, *Bride to the King* RC 42057
by Barbara Cartland
read by Yolande Bavan
3 cassettes
In the first novel, Minella Clinton-Wood seeks the help of a childhood friend when she is left destitute by her father's debts. *In Love in the Moon*, Lady Lang has plans to avenge her mother's ostracism from her family by teaching her grandparents a lesson. In *Bride to the King*, Zosina is married to a king by prearrangement, but falls in love with the king's regent. 1981.

Vertical Run RC 42062
by Joseph R. Garber
read by Nick Sullivan
2 cassettes
After jogging to work, executive vice president Dave Elliot is dressing in his office on the forty-fifth floor when the company president comes in to shoot him. Elliot escapes, only to find the building is swarming with men—all with orders to kill him. His Vietnam training keeps him alive and hidden, but unless Elliot can figure out why he has been targeted, he may not survive. Strong language and violence. 1995.

The Return of Merlin RC 42065
by Deepak Chopra
read by George Holmes
3 cassettes
The tale begins with the end of Camelot. Evil magician Mordred destroyed

the kingdom, but Merlin promised Arthur that the power for good would remain. The scene shifts to twentieth-century England, where odd happenings reveal that the powers of Camelot resume the ancient battle. The author writes that his magical tale "is about waking up the wizard that sleeps deep within all of us." Violence and some descriptions of sex. 1995.

Heavy Weather RC 42068
by Bruce Sterling
read by L.J. Ganser
2 cassettes
In the year 2031, the cumulative effects of global pollution and ecological breakdown have distorted weather patterns. A disparate group of tornado freaks calling themselves the Storm Troupe track a series of ever bigger killer tornadoes across the Texas plains. As they wait to "bear witness" to "the big one," they not only face danger, but must overcome their own personal conflicts to keep their band together. Strong language. 1994.

***The Little Town Where Time Stood Still* and *Cutting It Short* RC 42069**
by Bohumil Hrabal
read by Ed Blake
2 cassettes
Two novellas. "Cutting It Short," told by Maryška, portrays life in a small Czechoslovakian town in the early 1930s. Francin, the town's brewery manager, is unable to control his wife Maryška's scandalous behavior, especially when Uncle Pepin comes to live with them. The second novella, told by their son, picks up eight years later as everyone in the town adjusts to the coming of communism. Strong language. 1993.

With Extreme Prejudice RC 42071
by Fredrick Barton
read by John Stratton
3 cassettes
New Orleans film critic Mike Barnett uses alcohol to ease the loss of his attorney wife, Joan, who was hit and killed by a car a year ago. When Mike's house is burglarized, the only thing missing is a file from a case Joan had been working on for years. As Mike meets resistance in inquiring about the case, he begins to realize Joan's death was not an accident. Strong language, violence, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1993.

The Night Trilogy: *Night, Dawn, The Accident* RC 42074
by Elie Wiesel
read by Ken Kliban
2 cassettes (Reissue)
"Night" is the story of a Jewish boy who is deported with his family and community from Hungary to the horrors of the infamous Auschwitz. In "Dawn," Elisha, the sole survivor of his family, becomes a Jewish terrorist in Palestine and is ordered to execute an Englishman. In "The Accident," a concentration camp survivor tries to rebuild his life in New York City. Some violence and some descriptions of sex. 1975.

Orchids and Diamonds RC 42075
by Rosalind Laker
read by Cecelia Riddett
2 cassettes
Having finished her schooling, Juliette Cladel returns to Paris to become a designer for her sister Denise, owner of the House of Landelle. She falls in love with Count Nikolai Karasvin, but fate is not kind to Juliette and Nikolai. Each is forced into a loveless marriage, and Juliette leaves Paris to work for Fortuny

in Italy before fate once more steps in. Some explicit descriptions of sex. 1995.

Tripoint RC 42078
by C.J. Cherryh
read by J.P. Linton
3 cassettes
Tom Hawkins, a young crew member of the family starship *Sprite*, grows up with the stigma that he was conceived by rape. Even after twenty-five years, his mother still plots revenge. Tom's father captains the rival ship *Corinthian*, and as luck would have it, Tom is shanghaied aboard. There he comes face to face with his father for the first time. Strong language, violence, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

A College of Magics RC 42081
by Caroline Stevermer
read by Barbara Caruso
3 cassettes
Fantasy adventure set in an alternate Edwardian Europe. Faris Nallaneen, the young duchess of Galazon, arrives at Greenlaw College on the French coast, where she has been banished by her wicked uncle. The college teaches magic, and Faris learns of her special destiny as one of the four guardians of the North. She must learn her magical skills well to free her kingdom, defeat her enemies, and mend a magical rift. 1994.

Royal Road to Fotheringay RC 42082
by Jean Plaidy
read by John Horton
3 cassettes
A fictional account of Mary Stuart, born to be queen in a turbulent Scotland. Escaping to safety in France, she meets and marries François, the future king of France. Later, her love for the lustful Bothwell makes her a suspect in the murder of her second husband, Darnley. Meanwhile, Elizabeth I of England plots to wrest power from Mary. Some descriptions of sex. 1955.

A Division of the Spoils RC 42083
by Paul Scott
read by Patrick Horgan
5 cassettes (Reissue)
Postwar India with its feudal economy, its variety of religious sects, and its nationalistic spirit is the subject of this panoramic novel. Merrick, a British police officer, symbolizes the moral decay of the British, while Kasim, a young Muslim, represents moral responsibility. Sequel to *Towers of Silence (RC 32516)* and prequel to *Staying On (RC 12356)*. 1975.

The Famous DAR Murder Mystery RC 42097
by Graham Landrum
read by Margaret Strom
2 cassettes
Members of a Virginia chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution are tracking down a century-old gravesite when they find a body. The police write the man off as a transient, but the ladies know differently. He has manicured hands and a glorious tan. Each of the "daughters" explains her part in determining who the dead man was, who killed him, and why. 1992.

***The Queen of Puerto Rico* and Other Stories RC 42100**
by Joe Frank
read by Gary Telles
1 cassette
Frank, of National Public Radio, offers seven stories and a play. In the title story, Nick, seventeen, is vacationing on St. Thomas, where he falls in love with a lady dressed in pink but ends up in

bed with a homosexual seducer. In "Fat Man," Aaron, who as a student stole brownies from Howard Johnson's, is unable to become a productive adult. Some descriptions of sex. 1993.

House Rules RC 42103
by Heather Lewis
read by Kimberly Schraf
2 cassettes
When fifteen-year-old Lee is kicked out of boarding school, she takes up with Tory, another horsewoman. Tory offers drugs, rough sexual treatment like Lee had received from her father, and an introduction to a third woman who uses drugs and sex in a heightened cruelty toward Lee. Can Lee find her way out of this destructive life on the horse-show circuit? Violence, strong language, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

Batman: The Ultimate Evil RC 42110
by Andrew Vachss
read by Michael Consoli
1 cassette
Batman is frustrated that his battle against crime is not enough. As billionaire Bruce Wayne, Batman meets social worker Debra Kane, who claims child abuse is the root of crime. Intrigued, Batman goes after child porn only to learn from his trusted servant, Alfred, that Batman's mother had been after this same group when she died. Some strong language and some violence. 1995.

Stitches in Time RC 42115
by Barbara Michaels
read by Mary Kane
3 cassettes
Rachel Grant is working on her doctoral thesis on the art of women's garments prepared for important rites of passage. An antique shop where Rachel works receives an old bridal quilt, and soon Rachel becomes involved in strange misdeeds. It seems that evil magic has been stitched into this quilt rather than the usual protective magic, and the evil magic is luring Rachel into grave danger. Some strong language. 1995.

Saving Grace RC 42116
by Lee Smith
read by Michele Schaeffer
2 cassettes
Gracie, eleventh child of a poor itinerant preacher, loves her stern father and her spiritual mother, but she doesn't love Jesus. And she is ornery and contentious. She tries to be a good daughter and then a good preacher's wife, but the death of her third baby hardens her heart. She turns against her strict life, searching for her spirit, but grace does not come easily. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1995.

The Headmistress RC 42120
by Angela Thirkell
read by Anne Flosnik
2 cassettes (Reissue)
The Belton family has owned Harefield Park in Barsetshire for generations, but now they must relinquish their home because of rising debts. Fortunately Miss Sparling, headmistress of the Hosiers' Girls' Foundation School, is looking for a new home for the school and is delighted with Harefield Park. Miss Sparling has great plans for the school and for her life. Then she meets two dignified gentlemen who are romantically inclined. 1943.

Miracles in Maggody RC 42125
by Joan Hess
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
Televangelist faith-healer Malachi Hope arrives in Maggody, Arkansas, for a week-long revival. He also plans to buy some acreage there to build a theme park. Then the high school girls' basketball coach kills herself after requesting a meeting with Hope. Soon after, Hope's wife is found dead. As police chief Arly Hanks works through the puzzling cases, other Maggody citizens take Hope's cures over their doctors' advice. Some strong language. 1995.

Until Forever RC 42128
by Johanna Lindsey
read by Jill Fox
2 cassettes
History professor Roseleen White is trying to get her exam papers graded before she leaves for a long weekend trip, but the package sitting beside her desk is tempting her to open it. Inside is the sword known as Blooddrinker's Curse, which she has gone to great lengths to obtain. Quite a surprise awaits Roseleen when she does open the box. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1995.

Guardian RC 42129
by John Saul
read by Roy Avers
2 cassettes
MaryAnne Carpenter is arguing with her adulterous husband when she receives word that her best friend Audrey has died, leaving MaryAnne guardian of Audrey's adolescent son Joey. Once in Idaho with her own two children, MaryAnne learns of the odd circumstances surrounding both Audrey's death and that of Audrey's wealthy rancher husband earlier the same day. Could moody Joey be involved in these and other recent violent deaths? Strong language and violence. 1993.

In the Presence of the Enemy RC 42138
by Elizabeth George
read by Mitzi Friedlander
4 cassettes
Dennis Luxford, editor of *The Source*, receives a note saying: "Use page one to acknowledge your firstborn child, and Charlotte will be freed." Dennis's world is turned upside down, but so is that of Eve Bowen, a member of Parliament with whom he had a brief affair eleven years earlier. Strong language. Bestseller 1996.

Something the Cat Dragged In RC 42216
by Charlotte MacLeod
read by Gordon Gould
2 cassettes
When Betsy Lomax's cat, Edmund, brings home the toupee of retired professor Herbert Ungley, the tenant in Betsy's downstairs flat, Betsy knows something is amiss. Sure enough, she finds Ungley's body behind the Balaclavian Society clubhouse. The police in the small New England town think it was an accident, but Betsy calls in agriculture professor Peter Shandy, who has solved local crimes in the past. 1983.

The Unknown Shore RC 42222
by Patrick O'Brian
read by Graeme Malcolm
2 cassettes
Toby Barrow, who has studied with a surgeon and is now a rather overeducat-

ed but innocent young man, and his friend Jack Byron, who has some experience aboard ships, have signed on board the *Wager*—part of Commodore Anson's fleet. But as they round Cape Horn, a fierce storm separates them from the rest of the ships. Thus their tale becomes one of survival as only a handful of the crew are left to sail on to Valparaiso. 1959.

Blind Justice: A Sir John Fielding Mystery RC 42229
by Bruce Alexander
read by George Holmes
2 cassettes
Based on the life of the blind eighteenth-century justice Sir John Fielding, who, with novelist Henry Fielding, founded the Bow Street Runners. Known for his fairness, Sir John enlists the aid of Jeremy Proctor, an unjustly accused young boy whom Sir John has taken into his home. The case involves the double murder (by poison and gunshot) of Lord Goodhope. 1994.

Poison RC 42249
by Kathryn Harrison
read by Laura Giannarelli
3 cassettes
Francisca de Luarca, daughter of a silkworm farmer, lies in prison accused of witchcraft. Above her in another cell, Maria Luisa, wife of King Carlos II, is slowly dying of poison, her punishment for having failed to become pregnant. Francisca recounts the stories of both women, presenting a portrait of life during the Spanish Inquisition. Some strong language, some violence, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1995.

Inagehi RC 42253
by Jack Cady
read by Dani Carr
2 cassettes
"Faith was the thunder, Hope was the wind, and Charity the bright robes of lightning that thunder wore." Thus opens the mystery of the seven-year-old murder of Harriette's father, thought an accident at the time. It's 1957 and her mother has just died with the secret of his death. Thirty-year-old Harriette returns to the North Carolina hills to face her Cherokee heritage and its mysticism and to investigate. Some strong language and some violence. 1994.

Books for Children

Books listed in this issue of *Talking Book Topics* were recently sent to cooperating libraries. The complete collection contains books by many authors on fiction and nonfiction subjects, including animals, geography, nature, mystery, sports, and others. Contact your cooperating library to learn more about the wide range of books available in the collection.

Cassette books are labeled with the code RC and play at 15/16 ips. To order books, fill out the order form and send it to your cooperating library.

Cassettes Nonfiction

What's Your Story? A Young Person's Guide to Writing Fiction RC 39912
by Marion Dane Bauer
read by Maxine Wasserman
1 cassette
The author states that stories help one understand the world, teaching about possibilities and the achievements of those who struggled before. An award-winning novelist, Bauer describes how to write fiction and systematically discusses its various components, including plot, character, focus, dialogue, tension, and revisions. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 1992.

Spacious Dreams: The First Wave of Asian Immigration RC 39953
by Ronald Takaki
read by Miriam Wagner
1 cassette
Concerned that Asian Americans are not represented in many history books about the settling of the United States, the author discusses the immigration of Asians during the period between the California gold rush of 1849 and the 1924 immigration act. Includes people from China, Japan, Korea, the Philippines, India, Vietnam, Laos, and Cambodia. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 1994.

Poetry for Young People: Robert Frost RC 39975
edited by Gary D. Schmidt
read by Phil Regensdorf
1 cassette
A collection of poetry about the four seasons, as well as a brief biography of the poet. Each poem is accompanied by a note that provides insight into the poem's New England background. For grades 3-6. 1994.

Bonnie Blair: Golden Streak RC 39988
by Cathy Breitenbucher
read by Nancy Kronenfeld
1 cassette
Bonnie Blair grew up in a family where skating was part of everyone's life. Before Blair was even three years old, her four older sisters and brother decided that she should learn to skate. Soon Blair was competing at various skating meets. In 1994 at her third Olympics, Blair won two gold medals, giving her a total of five golds—more than any other American woman in the summer or winter Olympics. For grades 3-6. 1994.

Black Ships before Troy: The Story of *The Iliad* RC 40748
by Rosemary Sutcliff
read by Conrad Feininger
1 cassette
A retelling of the Greek myth. Traces the story of the Trojan War, beginning with the quarrel of three goddesses over a golden apple. When Trojan prince Paris persuades the beautiful Helen of Troy to leave her baby and husband to become his wife, her husband pursues

her, others take sides, and the war begins. Fighting continues until Troy is destroyed and Paris earns a tragic reward. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 1993.

Mononucleosis RC 40907
by Alvin Silverstein and others
read by Miriam Wagner
1 cassette
Mononucleosis or "mono" is a disease caused by a herpesvirus such as the Epstein-Barr virus. Mono, which is usually spread by kissing, is not as serious as other conditions caused by the virus, such as cancer. Epstein-Barr virus's effects and mono's symptoms and possible complications are described. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 1994.

Lives of the Writers: Comedies, Tragedies (and What the Neighbors Thought) RC 41209
by Kathleen Krull
read by Conrad Feininger
1 cassette
This companion to *Lives of the Musicians (RC 37607)* features the stories of twenty writers, ranging from Hans Christian Andersen to E.B. White. In addition to biographical information, sketches of authors include details about their work habits and newsy tidbits such as whom they loved, what they wore, what they read, and what would make them laugh. For grades 4-7 and older readers. 1994.

The Sweet and Sour Animal Book RC 41245
by Langston Hughes
read by Chuck Young
1 cassette
A book of poems about animals whose names start with every letter of the alphabet except x: ape, bumblebee, camel, dog, elephant, fish, goose, horse, ibis, jaybird, kitten, lion, monkey, newt, owl, pigeon, quail, rabbit, squirrel, turtle, unicorn, vixen, white mouse, yak, and zebra. For preschool-grade 2. 1994.

Kindertransport RC 41556
by Olga Levy Drucker
read by Barbara Rappaport
1 cassette
Ollie Levy was born in Stuttgart, Germany, in 1927, but in 1939 her parents sent her to England with other Jewish children who were fleeing to safety. Ollie describes her six years in England and the various homes she lived in—some much nicer than others. She also describes her joy on learning of her family's safe immigration to the United States and her reunion with them in 1945. For grades 5-8. 1992.

Sadako RC 41558
by Eleanor Coerr
read by Kimberly Schraf
1 cassette
When the atom bomb was dropped on Hiroshima, Sadako was an infant. Now twelve, Sadako begins to feel sick. She has leukemia, or atom-bomb disease, from the bombing. In the hospital, Sadako works to fold one thousand paper cranes because a Japanese legend says this will cure her. For grades 4-7. 1993.

Webelos Scout Book RC 41937
by Boy Scouts of America
read by Christopher Hurt
2 cassettes (Reissue)
This handbook for the last phase of Cub Scouting explains the requirements for earning activity badges and other awards. For grades 3-6. 1991.

The Silk Route: Seven Thousand Miles of History RC 42070
by John S. Major
read by Ken Kliban
1 cassette
By 700 A.D. silk from China had become a highly prized product in the West. The author describes the seven-thousand-mile route through cities, deserts, and mountains along which silk and other products were transported between China and Byzantium. A "closer look" section provides information on the making of silk, what life is like in a caravan, and the religions of Central Asia. For grades 3-6 and older readers. 1995.

Once upon a Time RC 42108
by Eve Bunting
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
Eve Bunting has written many children's books including *Someday a Tree (RC 41317)*. She tells of growing up in Ireland and moving to Los Angeles with her husband and small children. She also explains how she writes her stories. For grades 2-4. 1995.

Hugger to the Rescue RC 42119
by Dorothy Hinshaw Patent
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
Newfoundland dogs (Newfies) are sometimes trained to locate lost people. This book tells how these dogs work and what they're like and introduces some of the dogs trained by Susie and Murphy Foley in Montana. The dogs wear uniforms and can find people in avalanches and in water. For grades 2-4. 1994.

***The Pelican Chorus* and Other Nonsense RC 42464**
by Edward Lear
read by Terence Aselford
1 cassette
Three humorous tales in verse include "The New Vestments," in which a man fashions an outfit made out of food, only to have it eaten off his body. The couple in "The Owl and the Pussycat" take "some honey and plenty of money" in search of a ring. In the title story, two pelicans are saddened when their daughter chooses the king of the cranes to wed. For grades 2-4 and older readers. 1995.

Cassettes Fiction

The Man Who Loved Clowns RC 38004
by June Rae Wood
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
1 cassette
Delrita, thirteen, really does love her Uncle Punky, who has Down syndrome, but she still feels embarrassed by his behavior. That's why she avoids making close friends who might expect to visit her at home. And that includes Avanelle, with whom she shares her math book. When Delrita's parents are killed in an accident, she and Punky are left in the care of Uncle Bert and Aunt Queenie—who institute monumental changes. For grades 5-8. 1992.

Gathering of Pearls RC 39914
by Sook Nyul Choi
read by Nancy Kronenfeld
1 cassette
In this sequel to *Echoes of the White Giraffe (RC 39909)*, nineteen-year-old Sookan leaves Korea to study in America. She enjoys her new life and friends,

especially fun-loving roommate Ellen, but Sookan feels too responsible to her family to spend much time on the lighter side of college life. Freshman year is not easy, but Sookan learns many lessons well. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 1994.

Phoenix Rising RC 39951
by Karen Hesse
read by Marilyn Gleason
1 cassette
Nyle, thirteen, lives with her grandmother on a sheep farm in Vermont. There has been a leak at the nearby nuclear plant, and even though Nyle and Gran are safe, there are many sick people who need shelter. Nyle is upset when Gran allows Ezra, fifteen, and his mother to stay in their back bedroom. Nyle calls it the "dying room" because her grandfather and mother died there. Can she allow herself to get close to someone who may die? For grades 6-9. 1994.

Loch RC 39952
by Paul Zindel
read by June Carter
1 cassette
Luke Perkins, fifteen, nicknamed Loch because he claims to have seen the Loch Ness monster; his sister Zaidee; their father Sam; and Sarah Cavenger are at Lake Alban, Vermont, to study a plesiosaur and its family trapped there. They are working for Anthony Cavenger, Sarah's father, who seeks out monsters to study them. Unfortunately, Cavenger doesn't care whether he studies them dead or alive. Some violence. For grades 6-9. 1994.

Emily and Alice Again RC 41391
by Joyce Champion
read by Kerry Cundiff
1 cassette
In this sequel to *Emily and Alice (RC 41390)*, the two girls are the best of friends. But when Alice's grandmother sends her some neat-looking pink sunglasses, Emily knows she has to get them somehow. In other chapters, the girls get goofy hats and have a sleepover. For preschool-grade 2. 1995.

What Jamie Saw RC 41688
by Carolyn Coman
read by Ray Hagen
1 cassette
Jamie wasn't sure what woke him up, but the first thing he saw was his baby sister, Nin, being thrown across the room by Van. The next thing he saw was his mother, Patty, catching Nin. Right then, Jamie and his mother and sister left the house and went to see her longtime friend Earl. Earl lets them live in his old trailer, and everything seems fine until Van shows up. Some strong language. For grades 3-6. Newbery Honor Book 1996. 1995.

Birthday Surprises: Ten Great Stories to Unwrap RC 41764
edited by Johanna Hurwitz
read by Yvonne Fair Tessler
1 cassette
Ten children's authors provide stories based on the same plot: a child receives a beautifully wrapped package with nothing in it. In "Birthday Box," the narrator receives a decorated empty box from her dying mother, who whispers, "It's you." In "Promises" Diane finally figures out that Tracy gave her the empty box because of all Diane's empty promises. For grades 4-6. 1995.

The Bellmaker RC 41869
by Brian Jacques
read by David Palmer
2 cassettes
Joseph the Bellmaker learns from a dream that his daughter, the warrior mouse Mariel, is in grave danger. He and four companions set out on a journey to find Mariel and help overcome a new menace, the foxwolf Urgan Nagru and his rat hordes that have overrun the land of Southsward. Sequel to *Mariel of Redwall (RC 36748)*. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 1994.

To Race a Dream RC 41878
by Deborah Savage
read by Jill Fox
2 cassettes
Fifteen-year-old Theodora wants nothing more than to work with harness-racing horses. But, in 1906, girls are not allowed to work in stables, and Theo's parents have higher expectations of her. Her dream is powerful, leading her to take a chance. Disguised as a boy, she gets a job as a stable hand, along with Carl, who finds out her secret. Can she pursue her own happiness, or must she bend to her family's wishes? For grades 6-9. 1994.

Guess How Much I Love You RC 41891
by Sam McBratney
read by Andy Chappell
1 cassette
Little Nutbrown Hare wants to tell Big Nutbrown Hare how much he loves him. When Little Nutbrown Hare says he loves his dad as far as his arms will stretch, Big Nutbrown Hare says the same thing, but his arms are much longer. How can Little Nutbrown Hare show he loves his dad more? For grades K-3. 1994.

Ali and the Golden Eagle RC 41893
by Wayne Grover
read by Gary Tipton
1 cassette
Ali has proved his strength, courage, and wisdom many times. But the village, which has hunted with falcons for ages, is astonished at what Ali and his golden eagle can do. Now the prince has invited Ali to a falconry contest. Can a young man from a small village compete with the wealthy and royal contestants? A fictional account of a true story told by an American who visited Saudi Arabia. For grades 6-9. 1993.

Poppa's New Pants RC 41905
by Angela Shelf Medearis
read by Chuck Young
1 cassette
Grandma Tiny has everyone in an uproar. Her mother and sister are coming to visit and she wants the house to look perfect. George and his grandfather, Poppa, are happy to be sent out shopping because it means they can get away. At the store Poppa finds a nice pair of pants, but they are too long. He figures Grandma Tiny can hem them before church in the morning. But Poppa doesn't count on other people helping also. For preschool-grade 2. 1995.

Little Kit: or, The Industrious Flea Circus Girl RC 41942
by Emily Arnold McCully
read by Patricia Kilgarriff
1 cassette
Little Kit, an orphan, sells flowers at Picadilly Circus during the day, and at night she sleeps in an alley near Drury Lane with other homeless peddlers. One evening Professor Malefetta comes looking for a lad to help him with his

flea circus. Thinking Kit is a boy, the professor asks her to work for him. But Kit is a girl, and the professor does not like to be fooled. For grades K-3. 1995.

Grown-Ups Get to Do All the Driving
RC 41957
by William Steig
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
Grown-ups do many things. They make you go to the dentist, they like to look in the mirror a lot, they have aches and pains, they love restaurants and parties, they like to tell jokes, they hate to answer questions, they like children to be polite, they take lots of pills, and they get to do all the driving. For grades K-3. 1995.

Cara and the Terrible Teeners
RC 41984
by Elaine L. Schulte
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
1 cassette
Cara Hernandez wins one hundred dollars for an article she writes about the Twelve Candles Club. The industrious club is pleased with the publicity, but Cara's half sister, Paige, forms a club called the Teeners with her cheerleader friends and begins stealing jobs from the Twelve Candles. Cara suspects that Paige is behind other bad things that are happening to the club. Can she find it in her heart to forgive Paige? For grades 3-6. 1995.

Protecting Marie RC 42025
by Kevin Henkes
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
1 cassette
Fanny is angry with her father for staying away from his birthday party and for giving away her puppy because it interfered with his painting. Her father realizes he has hurt Fanny and brings home Dinner, an older dog. By talking to her father, whom she no longer trusts, and her sympathetic mother, Fanny comes to understand the love in their home, even though things are sometimes complicated. For grades 5-8. 1995.

Tangles RC 42088
by Errol Broome
read by Marcia Churchill
1 cassette
When Sophie's cat, Ginger, is killed by a car, the last thing Sophie wants is to replace her with another cat. But when Sophie sees a black kitten for sale at the fair, she falls in love. Her neighbor, Mrs. Cochran, drops her wallet as she passes Sophie, and, before turning it in, Sophie takes five dollars to buy the kitten. It is hard to enjoy lovable Tangles though, knowing that what she has done is wrong. For grades 3-6. 1993.

When Solomon Was King RC 42092
by Sheila MacGill-Callahan
read by Terence Aselford
1 cassette
As a young boy, Prince Solomon saves the life of a wounded lioness, who had two cubs, by nursing her back to health. When he becomes king, Solomon receives a ring that gives him the power to speak with animals. At first he is a kind king, but he soon forgets his power is a gift and begins hunting for pure pleasure. Then one day he is attacked and nearly killed by a lion and is saved by the lioness he helped years before. For grades K-3. 1995.

Not Now, Sara! RC 42098
by Hannelore Voigt
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
When all the grown-ups are too busy

for her, Sara feels sad and lonely. She wants to show her wonderful painting to her mother, but the baby needs to be fed. Grandma is getting ready for company. Even Sara's best friend is playing with someone else. Finally, a friend of Grandma's has lots of time to listen, and she gives Sara a good, but sometimes hard, answer. For grades K-3. 1995.

The Silver Slippers RC 42104
by Elizabeth Koda-Callan
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
A little girl dreams of being a ballerina, but she feels discouraged when she is not as good as the other girls in her class. When the teacher announces that one dancer will be chosen to be the star of a ballet recital, the little girl races home to tell her mother. Her mother gives her a pair of tiny silver ballet slippers on a silver chain to help the girl remember her goal as she practices ballet. For grades 2-4. 1989.

Too Far Away to Touch RC 42114
by Lesléa Newman
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
Zoe is used to doing fun things with Uncle Leonard and his friend Nathan, but her uncle hasn't been over lately. When he finally calls to take her to the planetarium, he is tired and sickly. He explains how the stars are too far away to touch but close enough to see. She understands this even better when he tells her about his illness. For grades K-3. 1995.

Forri the Baker RC 42117
by Edward Myers
read by Terence Aselford
1 cassette
Forri, a baker in the medieval village of Ettai, is a social outcast because his baggy clothes are made from old flour sacks and he bakes his bread in unusual shapes, such as flowers, pots, animals, and castles. One day the warring Chlars invade the village, but the villagers have no weapons with which to defend themselves. Then Forri has an idea that might just work. For grades K-3. 1995.

An Almost Perfect Game RC 42133
by Stephen Manes
read by John Polk
1 cassette
It is the deciding game before the minor league baseball division playoffs. Superfan Jake is in the stands with a "guaranteed lucky" scorecard to keep all the important statistics. As Jake begins to mark plays, he realizes he is able to control the outcome of the game! Inning by inning, he works his favorite pitcher toward what looks like certain victory. But does he really have the magic power? For grades 4-7. 1995.

Dawn and Whitney, Friends Forever RC 42139
by Ann M. Martin
read by Madelyn Buzzard
1 cassette
Dawn has moved to California to live with her father for a while. She and some friends have founded the We Love Kids Club, which Dawn modeled on the Baby-Sitters Club she belonged to in Connecticut. One of Dawn's first jobs is to stay with Whitney in the afternoon while her parents are at work. But Whitney, who has Down's syndrome, is

supposed to think Dawn is just a friend. Dawn can't let Whitney know she is really a baby-sitter. For grades 4-7. 1994.

Beware of Kissing Lizard Lips
RC 42140
by Phyllis Shalant
read by Gary Tipton
1 cassette
Zack Moore slides into the last-row seat on the bus—the coolest place for a sixth-grader to sit—and feels rather proud of himself. But will he be able to keep his seat? The seats are for the quickest and toughest sixth-graders, and Zack is neither. In fact he is so small for his age he has been nicknamed "Mouseboy." But Zack has a plan to change all that, and it involves a girl who knows tae kwon do. For grades 4-7. 1995.

The Storm RC 42144
by Marc Harshman
read by Gary Tipton
1 cassette
When Jonathan's teacher talks about what to do in a tornado, a classmate remarks that a big storm would be really scary for Jonathan because he is in a wheelchair. But Jonathan isn't afraid of storms—he loves them. Alone on the farm that afternoon, Jonathan gets a chance to show he knows how to handle a tornado. For grades K-3. 1995.

The Enchanted Storks: A Tale of Bagdad
RC 42152
retold by Aaron Shepard
read by James DeLotel
1 cassette
In old Bagdad, the beloved caliph, the ruler of all Islam, and his vizier are tricked by an evil magician and turned into a pair of storks. They fly off to live their fate and find a woodpecker who is really an enchanted princess. She helps them to discover that the caliph's greedy brother had plotted with the magician to become ruler. Now the caliph must find a way to return to the throne in Bagdad. For grades K-3. 1995.

Junebug RC 42388
by Alice Mead
read by Christopher Hurt
1 cassette
Junebug, whose real name is Reeve McClain Jr., has a wish that he thinks about a lot. It is too important to tell because his friends would laugh at him and because it is not likely to happen in the housing projects where he lives. His dream is to sail a boat to the West Indies, on a foaming sea with seagulls screeching. In the meantime, he takes good care of his sister and tries to stay out of the way of guys in the gangs. For grades 3-6. 1995.

The Beast from the East: Goosebumps
RC 42440
by R.L. Stine
read by Ilona Dulaski
1 cassette
Ginger Wald and her ten-year-old twin brothers, Nat and Pat, are on a camping trip with their parents. They have taken a walk into the woods while their parents set up camp. But they get lost and suddenly find themselves facing several large beasts. For grades 4-7. 1996.

Youn Hee and Me RC 42447
by C.S. Adler
read by Margaret Strom
1 cassette
Three years ago, Caitlin's mother adopted Simon, a two-year-old Korean orphan. Now the family learns that Simon has a sister in Korea. Youn Hee is eleven like Caitlin, and Caitlin is eager

to welcome her into the family. When tiny Youn Hee arrives, she isn't very happy, and she doesn't seem to like Caitlin at all. Her main concern is that Simon has not been disciplined properly, and she sets out to correct that. For grades 3-6. 1995.

Boys at Work RC 42448
by Gary Soto
read by Rick Rohan
1 cassette
Ten-year-olds Rudy and Alex have been buddies since they were three years old. When one has a problem, the other always helps out. Their latest problem arises when Rudy accidentally breaks the disc player of the neighborhood bully, who happens to be out of town for a few days. Meanwhile Rudy and Alex struggle to figure out how to make enough money to buy a new one. For grades 3-6. 1995.

Wait and See RC 42449
by Virginia Bradley
read by Annie Wauters
1 cassette
The world seems to crumble for Amy when Doff, her longtime nanny and friend, must return to England. Because Amy's parents died when she was a baby, her only family is her wonderful, but formal, grandfather. Amy is irritated by Violetta, a new girl at school, until they become friends. Then Amy sees that Violetta's family is even weirder than her own. Both girls learn a lot that helps them to grow. For grades 4-7. 1994.

Myrna Never Sleeps RC 42453
by Beth Peterson
read by Margaret Strom
1 cassette
When the lights go out and mother closes the door, Myrna's adventures begin. First, the owl hoots that a forest fire is raging. Myrna rushes to the bathroom and hooks up a special hose she can carry for miles and miles. She runs to the hills and into the forest where she saves the day! Her mother finds her back in the bathroom, which is drenched in water. Myrna is the heroine in one nighttime adventure after another. For grades 2-4. 1995.

The Library RC 42455
by Sarah Stewart
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
Elizabeth Brown is a shy, skinny, nearsighted girl. She does not like to play with dolls but rather learns to read quite early. She stays home and reads while her friends go on dates, and when she finds a job, she begins filling her house with books. Then one day, Elizabeth Brown realizes the awful fact that she simply cannot have one more book in her house. What will she do? For grades K-3. 1995.

The Printer's Apprentice RC 42456
by Stephen Krensky
read by Terence Aselford
1 cassette
Gus Croft, ten, is an apprentice to printer William Bradford. Bradford is one of two men who are printing papers in New York City in 1735. The other man, Peter Zenger, was an apprentice to Bradford a long time ago. But Zenger is publishing articles that criticize the governor, and he is soon arrested. Gus and his friend Zach become partners in a plan to help Zenger be acquitted. For grades 3-6. 1995.

A Girl's Best Friend RC 42462
by Harriet May Savitz
read by Dani Carr
1 cassette
Laurie Moss, twelve, is worried that her parents will put their old beagle, Jessie, to sleep because of her arthritis. The vet has some new medicine, but it is expensive so Laurie takes a part-time job. Her boss is blind, like Laurie, and very particular about how things are done at his bike shop. Meanwhile, a new teacher thinks Laurie can't do anything by herself, and a bully taunts her in the halls. For grades 3-6. 1995.

How the Rhinoceros Got His Skin RC 42463
by Rudyard Kipling
read by Terence Aselford
1 cassette (Reissue)
In this tale from Kipling's *Just So Stories (RC 25503)*, a wily Parsee outwits the rude and all-too-greedy rhinoceros who steals the Parsee's fresh-baked cake. For grades K-3. 1988.

Foreign Language Books

The following cassette titles are available in the languages designated.

Spanish

El Enigma de Parsifal RC 40870
por Robert Ludlum
leído por Juan Ramirez
6 cassettes
Michael Havelock es el agente principal de una sucursal secreta de Departmento del Estado. Anthony Matthias, el secretario de estado, es un malvado que engaña a Havelock para que no descubra una conspiración peligrosa. La conspiración envuelve dos documentos falsos—un acuerdo entre los Estados Unidos y la U.R.S.S. para destruir la China, y otro entre Estados Unidos y la China para destruir la U.R.S.S. Lenguaje injurioso. (Michael Havelock is the top agent for Cons Op, a secret branch of the State Department. Anthony Matthias, the secretary of state, is an evil man who tricks Havelock into resigning so he won't uncover a conspiracy. It involves two phony documents: an agreement between the U.S. and the U.S.S.R. to destroy China, and one between the U.S. and China to destroy the U.S.S.R. Some strong language.) 1988.

El Caso de la Bella Pordiosera RC 40872
por Erle Stanley Gardner
leído por Juan Ramirez
2 cassettes
Partiendo de su papel ordinario, Perry Mason trabaja como abogado en un caso civil durante la gran parte de esta historia. Cuando se produce el caso criminal, contiene muchas sorpresas. Novela policíaca que presenta al famoso detective Perry Mason. (In a variation on his usual role, Perry Mason acts as a civil attorney during most of this mystery. When the criminal case does develop, it contains many surprises. A Perry Mason detective novel.) 1987.

Talking Book Magazines

Discs

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The Atlantic Monthly (monthly)
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Buenhogar (monthly)
Civilization: The Magazine of the Library of Congress (bimonthly)
Consumer Reports (monthly)
Contemporary Sound Track: A Review of Pop, Jazz, Rock, and Country (bimonthly)
Ebony (monthly)
Ellery Queen's Mystery Magazine (11 issues)
Encore (monthly, containing *Diabetes Forecast* and *Paraplegia News*)
Farm Journal (13 issues)
Foreign Affairs (7 issues)
Good Housekeeping (monthly plus special issues)
Harper's (monthly)
Jack and Jill (for children, 8 issues, packaged with *Ranger Rick*)
Journal Français (12 issues)
Journal of Counseling and Development (6 issues)
Kiplinger's Personal Finance Magazine (monthly)
Magazine of the Month (monthly)
Money (monthly plus special issues)
The Musical Mainstream (quarterly)
The Nation (47 issues)
National Geographic (monthly)
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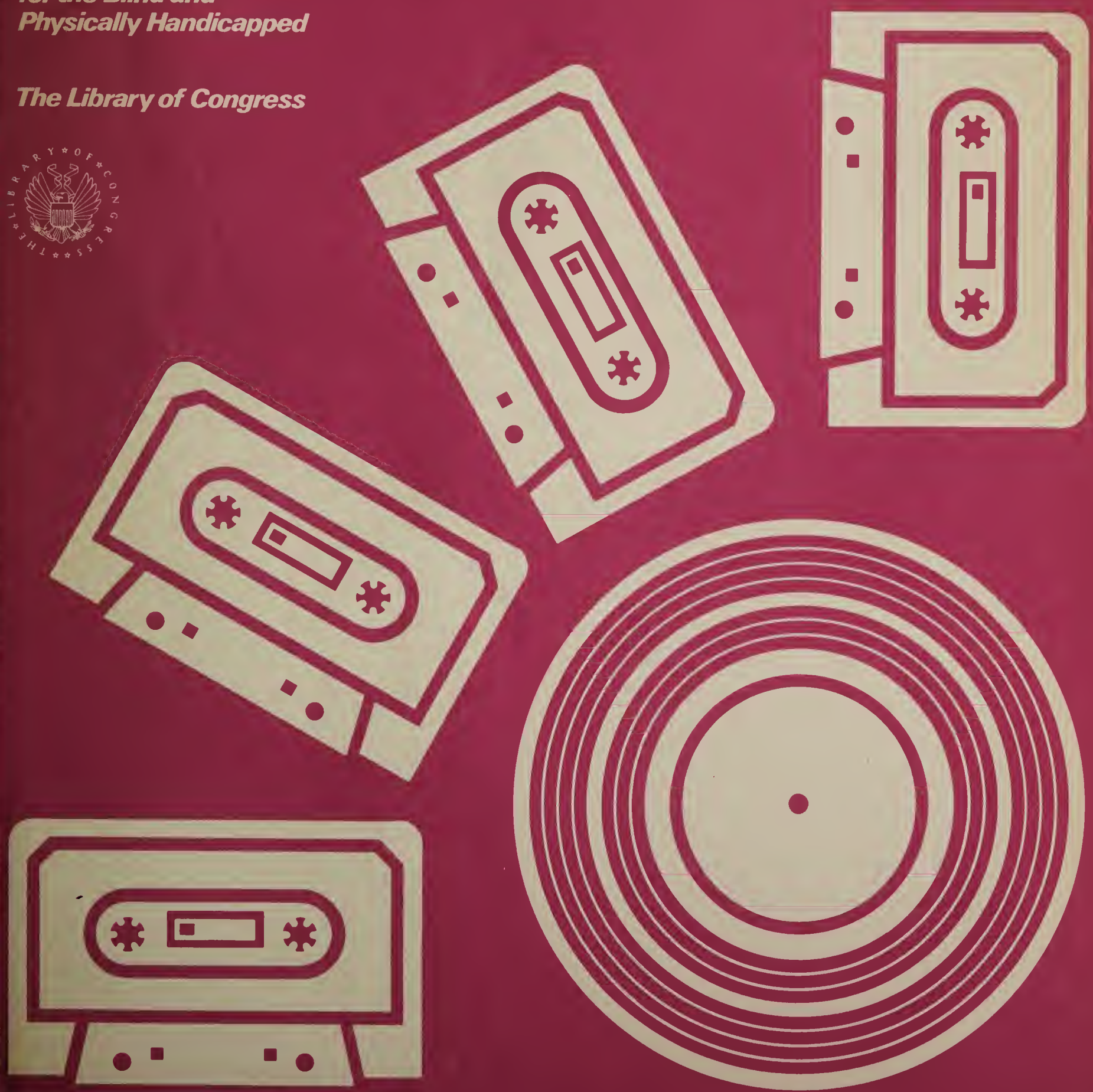

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In Brief

NLS Announces Magazine Program Changes

Beginning in January 1998, the National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped (NLS) will offer readers new magazine titles, some of which will be available in cassette format. Most of the current audio magazines will continue to be available, but many popular magazines will be added to the collection, replacing others that will be discontinued.

All children's, young adult, and foreign-language audio magazines will be produced on cassette tape instead of flexible disc. These magazines will kick off a transition to the new cassette format for all audio magazines. NLS plans to continue the transition in January 1999, changing another group of flexible-disc magazines to cassette. It is expected to take three to four years before all NLS recorded magazines will be available on cassette.

The improvements to the magazine program are based on the recommendations of two advisory committees composed of program users and librarians. One of the committees reviewed the titles offered by NLS and, based on a survey of more than 3,500 patrons, made recommendations about the types of magazines NLS should offer to better meet readers' needs and interests. The other committee recommended producing recorded magazines on cassette rather than flexible disc, a change that has been requested by many patrons over the years.

The revised list of magazines is

shown below. For current titles that will continue to be offered, subscribers will not experience any change and need not take any action.

Some magazines will be discontinued due to low interest in them. Patrons may find other titles of interest on the new list. Fall issues of discontinued magazines will carry notices informing readers of the change.

New Audio Magazines

If you currently subscribe to one of the six magazines that will be discontinued and replaced by a new title, you will automatically receive the new magazine and need not take any action. In all other cases, contact your cooperating library to subscribe to new titles.

Asimov's Science Fiction (flexible disc; 11 issues)
Computer Magazine (title to be announced at a later date; flexible disc)
Cricket (for children; current subscribers to **National Geographic World** will automatically receive this magazine; on one cassette with **National Geographic World**; monthly)
Diabetes Forecast (current subscribers to **Encore** will automatically receive this magazine; flexible disc; monthly)
Discover (general science; current subscribers to **Natural History** will automatically receive this magazine; flexible disc; monthly)
Eating Well (food and health; flexible disc; 6 issues)
Health and Nutrition Newsletters (includes **Dr. Andrew Weil's Self Healing, Healthline, The Johns Hopkins Medical Letter—Health after Fifty,** and **Nutrition Action Healthletter;** current subscribers to **Prevention** will automatically receive this magazine; flexible disc; monthly)
The *New York Times* Book Review (current subscribers to **The *Washington Post* Book World** will automatically receive this magazine; flexible disc; weekly)
People Weekly (personalities and entertainment news; flexible disc; weekly)
Seventeen (young women's fashion; cassette; monthly)
Spider: The Magazine for Children (current subscribers to **Ranger Rick** and **Jack and Jill** will automatically receive this magazine; cassette; monthly)
Sports Illustrated for Kids (cassette; monthly)
Working Woman (flexible disc; 10 issues)
Young Adult Magazine of the Month (cassette; monthly)

Current Audio Magazines That NLS Will Continue to Offer

Current subscribers will continue to receive these titles and need not take any action.

American Heritage (flexible disc; 8 issues)
Analog Science Fiction and Fact (flexible disc; 13 issues)
The Atlantic Monthly (flexible disc; monthly)
Das Beste aus *Reader's Digest* (cassette; monthly)
Buenhogar (cassette; monthly)
Choice Magazine Listening (on loan

from cooperating libraries; cassette; bimonthly)
Civilization: The Magazine of the Library of Congress (flexible disc; bimonthly)
Consumer Reports (flexible disc; monthly)
Contemporary Sound Track: A Review of Pop, Jazz, Rock, and Country (flexible disc; bimonthly)
Ebony (flexible disc; monthly)
Ellery Queen's Mystery Magazine (flexible disc; 11 issues)
Good Housekeeping (flexible disc; monthly plus special issues)
Le Journal Français (cassette; monthly)
Magazine of the Month (flexible disc; monthly)
Money (flexible disc; monthly plus special issues)
The Musical Mainstream (flexible disc; quarterly)
The Nation (flexible disc; 47 issues)
National Geographic (flexible disc; monthly)
National Geographic World (on one cassette with **Cricket**; monthly)
National Review (flexible disc; biweekly)
New Choices: Living Even Better after Fifty (flexible disc; 10 issues)
Outdoor Life (flexible disc; monthly)
QST (flexible disc; monthly)
Quarterly Music Magazine (flexible disc; quarterly)
Selecciones del *Reader's Digest* (cassette; monthly)
Sports Illustrated (flexible disc; weekly plus special issues)
Stereo Review (flexible disc; monthly)
Talking Book Topics (cassette, flexible disc, and computer diskette; bimonthly)
Travel Holiday (flexible disc; 10 issues)
True West (flexible disc; monthly)
U.S. News and World Report (flexible disc; weekly)

Books for Adults

Books listed in this issue of *Talking Book Topics* were recently sent to cooperating libraries. The complete collection contains books by many authors on fiction and nonfiction subjects, including biographies, classics, gothics, mysteries, romances, and others. Contact your cooperating library to learn more about the wide range of books available in the collection.

Cassette books are labeled with the code RC and play at 15/16 ips. To order books, fill out the order form and send it to your cooperating library.

Note: For the information of the reader, a notice may appear immediately following the book description to indicate occurrences of strong language, explicit descriptions of sex, or violence. The word "some" before any of these terms indicates an occasional or infrequent occurrence, as in "some strong language."

Cassettes Nonfiction

Losing Jessica RC 40673
by Robby DeBoer
read by Barbara Rappaport
3 cassettes
In 1991, Robby and Jan DeBoer adopted newborn Jessica. A month later, Jessica's birth mother demanded her back, claiming the true biological father had not given his consent for the adoption. Robby describes day-to-day activities during the two-and-a-half years Jessica was with the DeBoers as they fought and eventually lost the much-publicized case. 1994.

The Holy Bible, Containing the Old Testament: Translated out of the Original Tongues and with the Former Translations Diligently Compared and Revised
RC 40842
read by Alexander Scourby
11 cassettes (Reissue)
The King James version of the Old Testament. 1957.

The Holy Bible, Containing the New Testament: Translated out of the Original Tongues and with the Former Translation Diligently Compared and Revised
RC 40843
read by Alexander Scourby
4 cassettes (Reissue)
The King James version of the New Testament. 1957.

God Came Near RC 40935
by Max Lucado
read by Michael Consoli
1 cassette
Lucado believes most people don't pay attention to something that is nearby their whole lives. He shares his belief that people can find God by following Christ's sandalprints from the "cold, hard floor of the cave in which he was born" through the miracles he performed, to his crucifixion and resurrection—a path that Lucado hopes will lead to understanding the choices Christ made in helping others. 1987.

Alexander to Actium: The Historical Evolution of the Hellenistic Age
RC 41222
by Peter Green
read by Lou Harpenau
8 cassettes
A member of the classics department at the University of Texas, Austin, presents an encyclopedic study of Greek civilization from the death of Alexander the

Great in 323 B.C. to the triumph of Octavian in 30 B.C. Green includes many aspects: artistic, philosophical, social, religious, and military, focusing on the power struggles and political intrigues of the time. 1990.

Richard Wright: Early Works RC 41552
by Richard Wright
read by L.J. Ganser
6 cassettes
This volume covers Wright's prose through 1940. The editor restores Wright's original manuscripts, which had been extensively changed for publication. Includes *Lawd Today!*, *Uncle Tom's Children*, *Native Son*, *How "Bigger" Was Born*, a literary chronology, and notes by Arnold Rampersad. Followed by *Richard Wright: Later Works (RC 41553)*. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. 1991.

Feminism and Disability RC 41756
by Barbara Hillyer
read by Jill Ferris
3 cassettes
A personal and political discussion from the intersection of the feminist and disability rights movements. With issues such as body image, self-worth, and achievement important in both, Hillyer finds parallels in some issues and opposition in others. The book grows from her experiences as the founder of a women's studies center and the mother of a daughter with multiple disabilities. 1993.

The Essays of Virginia Woolf, Volume 2, 1912–1918 RC 41806
edited by Andrew McNeillie
read by Suzanne Toren
3 cassettes
These essays date from Virginia and Leonard Woolf's marriage. All but one, "Heard on the Downs," an article published in the *Times*, appeared in the *Times Literary Supplement*. Among the writers that Woolf reviewed are Frances Willard, John Galsworthy, Joseph Conrad, Charlotte Brontë, Walt Whitman, and Edgar Allen Poe. Follows *The Essays of Virginia Woolf, Volume 1 (RC 41805)*. 1987.

Encyclopedia of Natural Medicine RC 41873
by Michael T. Murray and Joseph E. Pizzorno
read by Kerry Cundiff
5 cassettes
Two naturopathic doctors describe "natural medicine," which includes therapy areas of nutrition, botanical medicine, homeopathy, acupuncture, hydrotherapy, physical medicine, and counseling and lifestyle modification. They discuss how combinations of these therapies are used for more than sixty specific health problems including diabetes mellitus, hypertension, and rheumatoid arthritis. 1991.

The Hubble Wars: Astrophysics Meets Astropolitics in the Two-Billion-Dollar Struggle over the Hubble Space Telescope RC 41889
by Eric J. Chaisson
read by Butch Hoover
4 cassettes
After its launch in 1990, the Hubble Space Telescope was found to be embarrassingly out of focus. Astronomers were devastated, politicians disgusted, the press critical, and the public perplexed. Astrophysicist Chaisson chronicles the mismanagement and competing agendas among science, government, and industry that led to the Hubble boondoggle. 1994.

Coming of Age: The Story of Our Century by Those Who've Lived It RC 41899
by Studs Terkel
read by Bruce Huntey
4 cassettes
Interviews with seventy dynamic people over seventy years old. Most are liberals or moderates, some are well known, and all are motivated to continue to "fight the good fight" throughout their lives. Those interviewed represent a broad spectrum, from farmers to economists to labor leaders. Their stories provide a firsthand account of twentieth-century American history. 1995.

The Best of Modern Humor RC 41972
edited by Mordecai Richler
read by Rick Rohan
4 cassettes
A selection of prose pieces by sixty-four American and British authors offers a wide range of twentieth-century humorous writing. Includes James Thurber ("The Breaking Up of the Winships"), Woody Allen ("The Kugelmass Episode"), H.L. Mencken ("Recollections of Notable Cops"), S.J. Perelman ("Farewell, My Lovely Appetizer"), Garrison Keillor ("Shy Rights: Why Not Pretty Soon?"), and Roy Blount Jr. ("Trash No More"). 1983.

Fannie Flagg's Original Whistle-Stop Cafe Cookbook: Featuring Fried Green Tomatoes, Southern Barbecue, Banana Split Cake, and Many Other Great Recipes RC 41985
by Fannie Flagg
read by Pam Ward
1 cassette
Flagg, author of *Fried Green Tomatoes at the Whistle-Stop Cafe (RC 26698)*, now presents recipes from the cafe that inspired that book—the Irondale Cafe in Alabama, which was started and long owned by Flagg's aunt. Flagg accompanies the instructions for cafe "comfort food" with humorous comments and excerpts from her novel. 1993.

The Girl Who Died Twice: Every Patient's Nightmare; the Libby Zion Case and the Hidden Hazards of Hospitals RC 42008
by Natalie Robins
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
3 cassettes
An investigative writer examines the 1984 death of Libby Zion. Libby, eighteen, was taken to the New York Hospital with several strange symptoms. When she died only hours later, a lengthy legal battle began between Libby's parents and the hospital staff. The case drew national attention to patient care in teaching hospitals. Some strong language. 1995.

The Dying of the Trees: The Pandemic in America's Forests RC 42018
by Charles E. Little
read by Jamie Horton
2 cassettes
A columnist for *Wilderness* and leader of conservation and environmental groups describes tree death in various regions of the United States. He blames policymakers, who refuse to see the damage because of their allegiances to commercial interests, and suggests that it may be too late to save the trees. 1995.

Captive Hearts, Captive Minds: Freedom and Recovery from Cults and Abusive Relationships RC 42072
by Madeleine Landau Tobias and Janja Lalich
read by Judith Ann Gantly
3 cassettes
A psychotherapist and an editor, both

former cult members, describe psychological and physical damage caused by a cult experience and difficulties encountered on leaving the cult. The authors offer guidelines for identifying cults and advice on readjustment. Addresses religious, political, human potential, and other groups. 1994.

Robertson Davies: Man of Myth
RC 42101
by Judith Skelton Grant
read by Robert Sams
5 cassettes
A discursive, detailed biography of the twentieth-century Canadian novelist. At the age of fifty-seven, Davies achieved national recognition with the publication of *Fifth Business (RC 32480)*. Grant draws extensively from Davies's personal letters and journals and from interviews with Davies and others. 1994.

Selling the Dream: How to Promote Your Product, Company, or Ideas—and Make a Difference—Using Everyday Evangelism RC 42126
by Guy Kawasaki
read by Roy Avers
2 cassettes
Kawasaki, a former software evangelist at Apple Computer, provides a "practical blueprint for action" for businesspeople, social activists, and anyone who wants to change the world. Offers lessons, including case studies, on convincing people to believe in a product or idea. Also includes the entire 1983 Macintosh product introduction plan. 1991.

Fighter Wing: A Guided Tour of an Air Force Combat Wing RC 42130
by Tom Clancy
read by Lou Harpenau
4 cassettes
Techno-thriller author Tom Clancy provides an in-depth look at air force fighters. As in *Submarine (RC 40075)*, he portrays life in an elite military group. Clancy also provides a history of air warfare and background in the technical aspects of aircraft and flight. The last chapter is an imagined scenario of air combat over Southeast Asia in the year 2000. Bestseller 1995.

American Heart Association Cookbook
RC 42131
edited by Mary Winston
read by Patricia McDermott
5 cassettes
In addition to more than six hundred recipes complying with the American Heart Association dietary guidelines to avoid heart disease and stroke, this cookbook provides tips on adapting favorite recipes, dining out, and menus for holidays and special occasions. This varied collection of dishes includes vegetarian and quick-and-easy foods, and each recipe has a nutritional analysis. 1991.

The Presidency of Gerald R. Ford
RC 42134
by John Robert Greene
read by Randy Atcher
2 cassettes
Aiming to add dimension to a presidency often seen as "healing" or "caretaking," Greene calls on declassified information to probe critical events. He explores the possibility that a Ford pardon was a condition of Nixon's resignation and that Cambodia was bombed,

not to rescue the Mayaguez crew, but to make Ford look presidential. Greene also sketches the life of Ford, born Leslie Lynch King, and the role of Betty Ford. Some strong language. 1995.

Washington through a Purple Veil: Memoirs of a Southern Woman RC 42135

by Lindy Boggs
read by Terry Hayes Sales
3 cassettes
Lindy Boggs describes coming to Washington in 1941 as a political wife in love with her husband, Congressman Hale Boggs, and in awe of his political expertise. It was not until she ran to fill the seat vacated by his death in 1972 that she realized her own political skills. With her genteel approach, she relates how she fought for many issues, including civil rights and women's equality. 1994.

States of Mind: A Personal Journey through the Mid-Atlantic RC 42141

by Jonathan Yardley
read by Jack Fox
2 cassettes
Washington Post book critic and columnist Yardley realizes he is truly a son of the Mid-Atlantic as he muses on the people and places that give definition to the region. His travels through seven states and the District of Columbia took Yardley down old back roads, to burned-out inner cities, to beaches, and to class reunions and into shopping malls, diners, and famous resorts. 1993.

From the Angel's Blackboard: The Best of Fulton J. Sheen; a Centennial Celebration RC 42147

by Fulton J. Sheen
read by Jack Fox
2 cassettes
Selections from the 1950s books and television series of the popular Roman Catholic archbishop—*Life Is Worth Living (RC 13966)* and others. Sheen addresses such topics as work, happiness, melancholy, fatigue, and death. He urges readers to seek happiness by trusting God and doing what is right, illustrating his points with anecdotes from life and literature. 1995.

A Silent Sorrow: Pregnancy Loss; Guidance and Support for You and Your Family RC 42149

by Ingrid Kohn and Perry-Lynn Moffitt
read by Kerry Cundiff
3 cassettes
The authors discuss pregnancy losses, including miscarriage and stillbirth, and stress the importance of medical staff's adhering to bereavement protocols. The specialists include the stories of couples who have had these experiences, discuss ways of finding solace, and give an overview of the physical aspects of these conditions. 1992.

Refuge: An Unnatural History of Family and Place RC 42156

by Terry Tempest Williams
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
A multifaceted reflection on the retreat and return of life, nature, and family. The author poetically links the damage the 1982 Great Salt Lake floods did to wildlife with the destruction cancer wreaks in her mother and the many women of her family and neighborhood.

Williams ponders the human—especially male—role in both disasters. She draws strength from her family, spirituality, and Utah's desert wildlife. 1991.

The American Bar Association Guide to Home Ownership: The Complete and Easy Guide to All the Law Every Home Owner Should Know RC 42157

by American Bar Association
read by Art Metzler
2 cassettes
Explanation of the legal framework of rights and duties associated with home ownership. Discusses forms of ownership, deeds, titles, insurance, taxes, and the financial side of owning a home. Gives tips on avoiding liability, remodeling without getting swindled, and resolving problems with neighbors. Addresses special concerns of aging home owners. 1995.

Andrew Jackson and His America RC 42161

by Milton Meltzer
read by Brian Conn
1 cassette
Biography of the controversial frontiersman, Indian fighter, military hero, and seventh president of the United States. Covers Jackson's humble birth and early backwoods life; his military career in the Revolutionary War and War of 1812, where he earned the nickname "Old Hickory"; his election to the presidency in 1828; and his contribution to U.S. history as the first populist president. For junior and senior high and older readers. 1993.

Why the Earth Quakes RC 42164

by Matthys Levy and Mario Salvadori
read by Butch Hoover
1 cassette
The authors' architectural engineering backgrounds and personal experience inform their descriptions of earthquakes and volcanoes. They explain how these acts of nature happen, how they are measured and studied, which types of structures best resist earthquakes, and much more. Specific earthquakes and volcanoes are used as examples. 1995.

The Presidency of James Monroe RC 42165

by Noble E. Cunningham
read by Randy Atcher
2 cassettes
Biography of the fifth president of the United States focuses on the period of Monroe's presidency, from 1817 to 1825. Summarizing Monroe's life and career during the Revolutionary War and under presidents Jefferson and Madison, the biography describes and analyzes Monroe's actions and accomplishments as president, the highlights of which were the Missouri Compromise of 1820 and the promulgation of the important Monroe Doctrine in 1823. 1996.

Hannah's Heirs: The Quest for the Genetic Origins of Alzheimer's Disease RC 42172

by Daniel A. Pollen
read by John Richardson
2 cassettes
A professor of neurology and physiology at the University of Massachusetts Medical Center, Pollen presents a scientific discussion for the general reader. He tells how studies of family pedigrees, such as that of the eponymous Russian woman, and advances in genetic studies led to a test to predict Alzheimer's disease. 1993.

Out of the Fog: Treatment Options and Coping Strategies for Adult Attention Deficit Disorder RC 42180
by Kevin R. Murphy and
Suzanne LeVert
read by Carol Dines
2 cassettes
The authors define adult Attention Deficit Disorder (ADD) as a treatable neurobiological disorder characterized by symptoms of inattention, impulsivity, and oftentimes, hyperactivity. They explain the diagnosis and treatment and describe techniques for coping with the effects of ADD using diet, exercise, relaxation, and organizational tools. 1995.

When I Say No, I Feel Guilty: How to Cope—Using the Skills of Systematic Assertive Therapy RC 42181
by Manuel J. Smith
read by Ray Foushee
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Opposed to manipulating people by interfering with their decision-making processes, therapist Smith describes how to be assertive without taking away the dignity and self-respect of others. Included are a "bill of assertive rights," descriptions of systematic assertive skills, and numerous dialogs illustrating the techniques. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1975.

Why We Get Sick: The New Science of Darwinian Medicine RC 42186
by Randolph M. Nesse and
George C. Williams
read by Butch Hoover
2 cassettes
According to two proponents of Darwinian medicine, the body is a bundle of careful compromises. Diseases do not result from random or malevolent forces; they arise ultimately from past natural selection. The authors discuss six evolutionary explanations for disease: defenses, genes, novel environments, infections, design compromises, and evolutionary legacies. 1994.

Robert E. Lee: A Biography RC 42203
by Emory M. Thomas
read by Jeremy Gage
4 cassettes
Thomas, a professor of history at the University of Georgia, believing the true Lee has never been seen, offers a portrait of a man he considers an enigma. Thomas's discussion of the man perhaps best known as the commander of the Army of Virginia includes Lee's years at West Point, his career as an engineer, his marriage to Mary Custis, their seven children, and his presidency at Washington College. 1995.

The Letters of Robert Louis Stevenson: Volume 3, August 1879–September 1882 RC 42210
by Robert Louis Stevenson
read by Patrick Horgan
3 cassettes
This volume of letters covers the period of Stevenson's life when he traveled to California, married American Fanny Osbourne, and began to face the consequences of his chronic poor health. It is also the period of growing literary success with the publication of some of his finest essays and short stories and with the beginning of his most famous work, *Treasure Island (RC 18121)*. 1882.

Lise Meitner: A Life in Physics RC 42211
by Ruth Lewin Sime
read by Christopher Hurt
4 cassettes
The author highlights Meitner's often overlooked pioneering career—from

her professorial work at Berlin's prestigious Kaiser Wilhelm Institute to her atomic discoveries while exiled in Stockholm. A physicist who codiscovered nuclear fission with Otto Hahn, Meitner fled Nazi-occupied Austria during World War II and received none of the credit when Hahn won the Nobel Prize. 1996.

The Sea of Galilee Boat: An Extraordinary 2000 Year Old Discovery RC 42217
by Shelley Wachsmann
read by Ken Kliban
2 cassettes
A nautical archaeologist who served with Israel's Department of Antiquities and Museums describes the painstaking excavation of a two-thousand-year-old boat discovered in 1986 in the Sea of Galilee. Wachsmann discusses the historical context, concluding the boat was a typical fishing vessel dating from between 100 B.C. and 67 A.D. and similar to those used by Jesus's disciples. 1995.

Man Is Not Alone: A Philosophy of Religion RC 42218
by Abraham Joshua Heschel
read by Richard Davidson
2 cassettes
A classic of theology by the Jewish authority and author of *Maimonides: A Biography (RC 19651)*, who died in 1972. Heschel reflects on aspects of the human relationship with the divine, probing ways of knowing God, the universe, and the self. Themes include "reason and wonder," "the meaning of existence," and "faith and piety." 1951.

Lewis Carroll: A Biography RC 42220
by Morton N. Cohen
read by John Horton
4 cassettes
Literary biography of Charles Dodgson (Lewis Carroll), author of *Alice in Wonderland (RC 12392)*. Cohen provides insights into the enigmatic Victorian writer, based on thirty years of studying Carroll, and analysis of his diaries and letters. Carroll was an Oxford don, a mathematics instructor, and a master of wordplay. He was also friend to many young girls, including the real Alice. 1995.

King of Ragtime: Scott Joplin and His Era RC 42223
by Edward A. Berlin
read by John Stratton
3 cassettes
A musicologist's documented account of the composer whose late 1800s and early 1900s works include "Maple Leaf Rag" and "The Entertainer." Integrates myths and anecdotes with information from public archives and provides some technical analysis of the music and a new perspective on the ragtime world Joplin occupied. Includes a listing of Joplin's works. 1994.

The War against the Poor: The Underclass and Antipoverty Policy RC 42224
by Herbert J. Gans
read by Ralph Lowenstein
2 cassettes
Sociology professor criticizes the use of the term "underclass" to refer to poor Americans and attacks the notion of "the undeserving poor." Gans discusses how negative labeling undermines social policy and damages the lives of individuals. He offers a grim view of the potential for widespread underemployment and suggests alleviation of poverty through a set of policies. 1995.

Noah's Choice: The Future of Endangered Species RC 42225
by Charles C. Mann and
Mark L. Plummer
read by David Munro
2 cassettes
The authors assert that many factors lead to species extinction, making the struggle for protection expensive and not always successful. They also argue that enforcement of the Endangered Species Act is too restrictive to provide good social policy, and that extremists on both sides are hampering progress. They recommend striking a balance between the needs of humans and nature. 1995.

The Batterer: A Psychological Profile RC 42228
by Donald G. Dutton
read by Nick Sullivan
2 cassettes
After describing several different types of men who abuse women, Dutton focuses on examining the minds of what he refers to as "cyclical/emotionally volatile abusers" and discusses the possibility of curing them. The author studied and treated abusive men in Canada for twenty years and was an expert witness for the prosecution in the murder trial of O.J. Simpson. 1995.

Queen Bess: Daredevil Aviator RC 42230
by Doris L. Rich
read by Catherine Byers
1 cassette
Rich outlines the life of the world's first black woman aviator, Bessie Coleman, by drawing on reports in black newspapers and memoirs of contemporaries. Born in 1892, Coleman battled racism and sexism in her drive to "amount to something." She chose flying as her road to glory, earned her license in France after U.S. instructors refused to teach her, and found fame in air shows. She died in a crash in 1926. 1993.

A Gentle Madness: Bibliophiles, Bibliomanes, and the Eternal Passion for Books RC 42231
by Nicholas A. Basbanes
read by Robert Blumenfeld
5 cassettes
Traces "the cycle of books among collectors, libraries, and dealers" to enlighten the "gentlest of infirmities," bibliomania. These richly anecdotal and well-documented narratives cover some of the world's great book collections, from the Alexandrian library to that of Thomas Jefferson. 1995.

***Nancy Blackett*: Under Sail with Arthur Ransome RC 42232**
by Roger Wardale
read by John Horton
2 cassettes
Blending anecdotes, gleanings from letters and documents, and excerpts from Arthur Ransome's books, Wardale presents a boating biography of Ransome. Identifying Ransome's boat, the *Nancy Blackett*, as the model for the vessel in *We Didn't Mean to Go to Sea (RC 15054)*, Wardale discusses Ransome's many watercraft and sailing adventures and reveals a man of daring, wit, and a defined sense of protocol. 1991.

Streisand: Her Life RC 42233
by James Spada
read by John Stratton
4 cassettes
More than two hundred of Streisand's friends, acquaintances, and family members contributed their recollections to

this biography of the noted actress and singer. Using these and past print interviews, Spada describes a determined woman whose voice and talent took her far, despite her unconventional looks and her sometimes difficult personality. Includes filmography and discography. Some strong language. 1995.

The Age of Extremes: A History of the World, 1914–1991 RC 42234
by Eric Hobsbawm
read by Ralph Lowenstein
6 cassettes
A broad survey of the twentieth century that the author divides into three categories—"The Age of Catastrophe, 1914–1950," during which the promising new century was racked by war, economic depression, and totalitarianism; "The Golden Age, 1950–1973," which saw technological and social advances; and "Landslide, 1973–1991," which witnessed the fall of communism and the rise of new social ills. 1994.

Portrait of Picasso as a Young Man: An Interpretive Biography RC 42236
by Norman Mailer
read by Ed Blake
3 cassettes
The Pulitzer Prize-winning author focuses on Picasso's sexual and artistic development, basing his speculations on the writings of others and on his study of the artist's works. Mailer traces Picasso's life from birth in 1881 through 1916. Some strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1995.

Napoleon and Josephine: The Improbable Marriage RC 42237
by Evangeline Bruce
read by Suzanne Toren
4 cassettes
A retelling of the famous romance between the ambitious young army officer and the reluctant, older divorcée, then mistress of Napoleon's patron, Paul Barras. Bruce, an authority on French history, bases much of her narrative on letters among the principals as she details the marriage that endured infidelity on both sides and ended because the emperor needed an heir. 1995.

The Pursuit of Happiness: Who Is Happy —and Why RC 42238
by David G. Myers
read by Ralph Lowenstein
2 cassettes
Myers states he does not "possess final answers to the mysteries of well-being," which seem to depend on prior personal and social experience. His studies indicate that a satisfying job, realistic expectations, good physical fitness and health, a happy marriage, and religious faith do make a person happier. Myers also asserts that acting happy can have a positive effect. 1992.

A Byzantine Journey RC 42241
by John Ash
read by John Horton
2 cassettes
The writer describes his five-week journey from Istanbul through Anatolia to Cappadocia, alternating details of his travels with descriptions of historic sites and accounts of their past. For example, he describes rust-pink Hagia Sophia, tells how the Fourth Crusade robbed the church, details principles of Byzantine architecture used in the building, and deplores an ongoing paint job as "close to vandalism." 1995.

Edmund Wilson: A Biography
RC 42247
by Jeffrey Meyers
read by Mary Kane
5 cassettes
Recounts the chaotic life of the literary critic who was a friend of F. Scott Fitzgerald, a lover of Edna St. Vincent Millay, and the author of *Axel's Castle (RC 16392)*, *The Dead Sea Scrolls (RC 23134)*, and many other books, articles, and personal journals. Meyers chronicles Wilson's abuse of alcohol, his numerous sexual liaisons, and his love of controversy. Strong language and descriptions of sex. 1995.

The Stalking of Kristin: A Father Investigates the Murder of His Daughter
RC 42262
by George Lardner
read by Steven Carpenter
3 cassettes
Washington Post investigative reporter Lardner writes of the death of his daughter. A student in Cambridge, Kristin dated club bouncer Michael Cartier briefly but obtained a restraining order after he beat her. Cartier later shot her in the head and killed himself. With subsequent legislation, Cartier's criminal record would have alerted the police to take stronger measures. 1995.

Spirit of Courage: A Tribute to People with Disabilities RC 42264
by Paul Calandrino
read by Bob Moore
2 cassettes
Laurel Burch is a well-known designer who has dealt with a bone disease since childhood. Here are her story and the stories of twenty-one other individuals with disabilities who have received the Laurel award for the "courageous and inspiring ways in which they have met the personal challenges in their lives." 1995.

Doing Simple Math in Your Head
RC 42272
by W.J. Howard
read by Butch Hoover
1 cassette
Stating that "being able to do [math] problems in your head is basically being able to simplify," the author gives tips on reordering, rearranging, and breaking up numbers; using equivalents and identities; and approximating and rounding off. He reviews basic arithmetic and provides real-life practice problems such as figuring change, gas mileage, and sale prices. 1992.

Radio Sound Effects: Who Did It, and How, in the Era of Live Broadcasting
RC 42273
by Robert L. Mott
read by Barry Bernson
2 cassettes
The author, a radio sound effects artist, and others working in live radio created their own methods to convey over the microphone a cow being milked, thunder, walking on snow, and other background sounds. Humorous anecdotes and artists' credits complete this history. Some strong language. 1993.

dBASE for DOS for Dummies
RC 42276
by Scott Palmer and Michael Stabler
read by John Richardson
2 cassettes
A guide to help nonspecialists build skills they can immediately use with the database management system. Explains how to design a databank, retrieve information, create reports, do calculations, and produce form letters. 1994.

Nice Work if You Can Get It: My Life in Rhythm and Rhyme RC 42278
by Michael Feinstein
read by Brian Conn
3 cassettes
Pianist and cabaret singer Feinstein discusses his musical life and the stars he has met along the way. As a young man, Feinstein lucked into being hired to help Ira Gershwin catalog his collection of private Gershwin recordings and spent the next six years as his confidant. After Gershwin's death, his own career took Feinstein to clubs and concert halls across the country and abroad. Some strong language. 1995.

Adult ADD: A Reader-Friendly Guide to Identifying, Understanding, and Treating Adult Attention Deficit Disorder RC 42280
by Thomas A. Whiteman and Michele Novotni
read by Kerry Cundiff
2 cassettes
Two psychologists aim their book primarily at those with attention deficit disorder (ADD) but add tips for the people who interact with them. Using patients' experiences, they discuss symptoms, diagnosis, treatment, and the controversy surrounding ADD. 1995.

A War of Witches: A Journey into the Underworld of the Contemporary Aztecs RC 42289
by Timothy J. Knab
read by Bruce Huntey
2 cassettes
Knab, an American anthropologist researching the Mexican Aztecs and learning about dreams and rituals from contemporary witches, tells how he accidentally discovered that the magical "healers" could also kill. After he overheard his mentor agree to kill a client's son-in-law, he investigated how survivors of a 1930s "war of the witches" can still get rid of rivals. 1995.

Politics of Conscience: A Biography of Margaret Chase Smith RC 42298
by Patricia Ward Wallace
read by Terry Hayes Sales
3 cassettes
A history professor draws on research and on interviews with Smith and her family, friends, and colleagues to chronicle the career of the nation's first woman senator. Elected to her deceased husband's seat in the House in 1940, the Maine Republican served in the Senate from 1948 to 1972. Smith was a firm cold warrior and confronted a McCarthy attack with her "Declaration of Conscience." 1995.

The Nightingale's Song RC 42316
by Robert Timberg
read by Jake Williams
4 cassettes
Presents disparate portraits of five U.S. Naval Academy graduates, Vietnam veterans, and public figures under President Reagan. As young plebes, all heard the "nightingale's song" extolling the honor of military service. Timberg avers that Reagan later revived that song in the men, with results that included the Iran-Contra scandal. Strong language. 1995.

Living Buddha, Living Christ RC 42317
by Thich Nhat Hanh
read by Bill Wallace
1 cassette
Buddhist monk and teacher Thich Nhat Hanh brings Christian and Buddhist spiritual concepts of compassion and holiness together. After many conversa-

tions with Christian leaders, Thich Nhat Hanh concludes that the spiritual bases of the two religions are very close. As a peace advocate, he wants to bring an understanding that will join peoples of all religions. 1995.

The Cloister Walk RC 42320
by Kathleen Norris
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Norris has been a Benedictine oblate, or associate, for ten years and has twice spent extended periods of time at St. John's Abbey in Minnesota. In diary form, she describes her "immersion" in this liturgical world and the benefits she derives from her time there. Bestseller 1996.

A Third Serving of Chicken Soup for the Soul: 101 More Stories to Open the Heart and Rekindle the Spirit RC 42324
by Jack Canfield and
Mark Victor Hansen
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes
The authors provide even more stories to "inspire and motivate you to love more unconditionally, live more passionately, and pursue your heartfelt dreams with more conviction." Topics include love, parenting, attitude, and wisdom. Sequel to *A Second Helping of Chicken Soup for the Soul (RC 40454)*. Bestseller 1996.

A Day in the Life: The Music and Artistry of the Beatles RC 42327
by Mark Hertsgaard
read by David Hartley-Margolin
3 cassettes
Journalist Hertsgaard provides an in-depth look at the Beatles' music. At the Abbey Road Studios, he was permitted access to the raw tapes of recording sessions through which he heard songs evolve and the interplay of the musicians. To those insights he adds documented information about the Fab Four; he excludes the unverified hearsay of the time. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1995.

Of Life Immense: A Family History RC 42328
by Sarah Broadstreet
read by Jill Ferris
4 cassettes
The author, who completed this history in 1989 when she was ninety-two years old after working on it for thirty years, addresses her account to her grandchildren and speaks directly to them throughout. The sometimes humorous narrative focuses on Broadstreet's father but includes some genealogical information, descriptions of contemporary life, and allusions to historical events. 1992.

In Contempt RC 42331
by Christopher A. Darden
read by Gary Telles
3 cassettes
As prosecutor Darden explains his role in the 1995 O.J. Simpson murder trial, he also provides an account of his growing up black in America. His personal story is that of a road not taken—in that he learned from, rather than followed in, his brother's footsteps. Some strong language. Bestseller 1996.

How Could You Do That?! The Abdication of Character, Courage, and Conscience RC 42333
by Laura Schlessinger
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
The author of *Ten Stupid Things Women Do to Mess Up Their Lives (RC 38864)*

looks at ways people can feel "fully human" and get maximum benefits from life experiences. Schlessinger believes that by returning to the three C's—character, conscience, and courage—individuals can prevent the personal and interpersonal problems that have a negative effect on their lives. Bestseller 1996.

My Old Man and the Sea: A Father and Son Sail around Cape Horn RC 42335
by David and Daniel Hays
read by Roy Avers
2 cassettes
In diary format, David and his twenty-four-year-old son, Daniel, describe their 17,000-mile, 317-day voyage around the tip of South America aboard the *Sparrow*. Their long-dreamed-of voyage becomes a balancing act in their relationship until the father comes to realize it is time to turn control over to his son. Some strong language. 1995.

Old Dogs and New Tricks RC 42341
edited by Kenneth Jernigan
read by Bruce Huntey
1 cassette
Stating that "it is never too late to learn new techniques and new ways of thought," Jernigan presents examples of himself and other members of the National Federation of the Blind doing just that. A woman learns to knit, a couple adopts a daughter, and a new deacon serves communion. 1996.

Biography of the Blind: Including the Lives of All Who Have Distinguished Themselves as Poets, Philosophers, Artists, &c. &c. RC 42343
by James Wilson
read by Lou Harpenau
3 cassettes
Collected and edited by Kenneth Stuckey from the four original editions of 1821 through 1838. "Offers insights into the lives of blind people before the great emancipators of the blind," says Stuckey. Subjects include Homer, Milton, Handel, and many others. 1995.

Messages from My Father RC 42375
by Calvin Trillin
read by Robert Blumenfeld
1 cassette
The author and humorist fondly recounts his relationship with his father, Abe, a Kansas City grocer and restaurateur who emigrated from Russia. Trillin recalls his father's stubborn ways, strong moral instruction, and comic sensibility, as well as his penchant for collecting Yiddish curses and yellow neckties. Bestseller 1996.

East to America: Korean American Life Stories RC 42383
by Elaine H. Kim and Eui-Young Yu
read by Robert Blumenfeld
3 cassettes
Interviews with thirty-eight Korean Americans, including a journalist, monk, family counselor, policeman, seamstress, marketing executive, hairstylist, and women's rights activist. The authors offer Korean American perspectives on history, identity, and community. Some strong language. 1996.

The Western Abenakis of Vermont, 1600–1800: War, Migration, and the Survival of an Indian People RC 42384
by Colin G. Calloway
read by Frank Coffee
2 cassettes
History of an American Indian tribe in New England whose obscurity helped it to survive. The social structure was one of family groups banding together for hunting seasons rather than a strong

central group. Migration was done on a small scale by families, avoiding the attention of outsiders. The author pieced together information from scarce remaining documentation. 1990.

Exile's Return: The Making of a Palestinian American RC 42389
by Fawaz Turki
read by Ken Kliban
3 cassettes
The author of *Soul in Exile (RC 30375)* returns to Israel some forty years after his family's 1948 expulsion. He interweaves his impressions of his homeland with memoirs of his intervening odyssey: Beirut, the Australian outback, Katmandu, and the United States. Despite his roots, he is critical of Palestinian mores and the PLO. 1994.

Late Love: A Celebration of Marriage after Fifty RC 42390
by Eileen Simpson
read by Catherine Byers
2 cassettes
Psychotherapist Simpson interviewed fifty men and women who married after the age of fifty-five, the oldest being ninety. She explores the problems and compromises of transition including the giving up of one's own home and dealing with the reactions of offspring. She points out that sexuality and romance are a big part of late-life marriages. Some descriptions of sex. 1994.

Dynamite Resumes: 101 Great Examples and Tips for Success! RC 42391
by Ronald L. and Caryl Rae Krannich
read by David Munro
2 cassettes
Claiming that "resumes are here to stay in a very big way," the authors provide tips on writing, production, distribution, and follow-up. Samples of traditional chronological resumes are transformed and improved and accompanied by suggested cover letters. Also discussed are electronic resumes and databases in the job market of the 1990s. 1992.

Got to Tell It: Mahalia Jackson, Queen of Gospel RC 42393
by Jules Schwerin
read by John Stratton
1 cassette
Reminiscences about the gospel singer. While filming a documentary about Jackson, the author comes to know her and witnesses her rise to popular success with both black and white audiences. He describes her career during the civil rights movement, of which her voice became a part. Includes a discography of Jackson's work. 1992.

The Doctors' Case against the Pill RC 42421
by Barbara Seaman
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Twenty-fifth anniversary edition of a groundbreaking work on women's health issues. Contains the 1969 text on the risks and side effects of birth-control pills as well as a discussion of the changes in law and policy brought about by the original book. Also addresses concerns about the more recent contraceptive implants and estrogen replacement therapy. Contains anatomical descriptions. 1995.

Pay Any Price: Lyndon Johnson and the Wars for Vietnam RC 42423
by Lloyd C. Gardner
read by John Rayburn
5 cassettes
The Rutgers University history professor presents a researched, analytic account detailing discussions and decision

making among Johnson, his advisors, and others. Gardner argues that the president's judgments were rooted in his New Deal convictions and that his goals for Vietnam were an extension of his Great Society plans. 1995.

The Active Life: Wisdom for Work, Creativity, and Caring RC 42426
by Parker J. Palmer
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes
Six stories and poems are used to examine the possibility of being spiritual for those who choose life in the world of action over the monastic norms of a contemplative life. The author, who completed a long journey toward the knowledge that he was not a monk, discusses the lessons in each of the selected works, which include a Taoist poem, biblical tales of Jesus, and a poem by a Guatemalan activist. 1990.

Idols of the Game: A Sporting History of the American Century RC 42428
by Robert Lipsyte and Peter Levine
read by Jake Williams
3 cassettes
Profiles of sixteen sports heroes from the 1880s onward reflect the class, race, and gender ideals and barriers of sports and the rest of society. Beginning with boxer John L. Sullivan, whom the authors consider to be America's first great sports idol, the subjects include Babe Didrikson, Jackie Robinson, Muhammad Ali, Arnold Schwarzenegger, and Michael Jordan. Some strong language. 1995.

The *Challenger* Launch Decision: Risky Technology, Culture, and Deviance at NASA RC 42430
by Diane Vaughan
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
5 cassettes
Examines the 1986 space shuttle *Challenger* explosion that shocked the nation. Sociologist Vaughan's interpretation of the event focuses on the NASA environment, organizational culture, and decision-making process that resulted in an "incremental descent into poor judgment." 1996.

Passing Through: The Later Poems, New and Selected RC 42433
by Stanley Kunitz
read by Jim Zeiger
1 cassette
Poems written since 1971 are collected here in honor of the Pulitzer Prize-winning author's ninetieth birthday. Works draw on his life experience, "telling the stories of the soul," which is how he describes poetry in the preface. Winner of the 1995 National Book Award. 1995.

A Valley in Italy: The Many Seasons of a Villa in Umbria RC 42434
by Lisa St. Aubin de Terán
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
The author and her family spent three years looking for a "suitable dilapidated villa" in Italy before they found one that fit the mental picture of the ideal house—and their depleted savings. She describes the events of the year-long restoration, including camping out while workmen made the villa habitable, the harvest and celebrations with the locals, a wedding, and a New Year's Eve celebration. 1994.

Uncommon Sense: The Heretical Nature of Science RC 42443
by Alan Cromer
read by Annie Wauters
2 cassettes
The physics professor advances the idea that science, which he defines as objective thinking, is an unnatural development on the part of human beings, who more naturally take an egocentric, or "religious," view of reality. He uses the theories of psychologist Jean Piaget to trace the genesis of science historically and within individuals and offers ideas for improving science education. 1993.

Palimpsest: A Memoir RC 42458
by Gore Vidal
read by Terence Aselford
3 cassettes
Literary notable Vidal remembers the first half of his life. Talented and born into a wealthy political, but family, the author recalls and rewrites encounters with literary and political personages of the times, from the Kennedy family to lover Tennessee Williams to Paul Newman. The story of his only true love, a boy in boarding school, is told with poignancy. Descriptions of sex and some strong language. Bestseller 1995.

A Short History of the Civil War RC 42460
by James L. Stokesbury
read by Robert Sams
3 cassettes
The history professor and author of other "short history" books presents a detailed, analytic account of the conflict. Conversational and sometimes humorous, the report addresses attitudes and goals of both sides, military strategy and battles, the issue of slavery, economic factors, and personalities. 1995.

The Sound and the Story: NPR and the Art of Radio RC 42466
by Thomas Looker
read by Steven Carpenter
3 cassettes
A behind-the-scenes look at National Public Radio by the creator of the *New England Almanac* radio series. Looker presents a minute-by-minute account of *Morning Edition* and *All Things Considered* and describes the production of *Weekend Edition*. He also explores the nature of public radio and its role in American culture. 1995.

Life on the Edge: A Young Adult's Guide to a Meaningful Future RC 42470
by James Dobson
read by Rick Rohan
2 cassettes
A psychologist and Christian broadcaster offers advice for those between the ages of sixteen and twenty-six who are moving through the "critical decade" when vital decisions are made: about education, jobs, marriage, family, and the establishment of personal values and principles. He includes a list of thirty-eight values to live by. For senior high and older readers. 1995.

Enter Whining RC 42483
by Fran Drescher
read by Suzanne Toren
2 cassettes
Nasal-voiced comedic actress describes her life and career. Born in Flushing, New York, Drescher is married to Peter Jacobson, whom she met in high school. Movies such as *Saturday Night Fever* and *Cadillac Man* led to her starring role in the television sitcom *The Nanny*. Some strong language. Bestseller 1996.

Collected Longer Poems RC 42487
by Hayden Carruth
read by Gordon Gould
1 cassette
Companion to the award-winning author's *Collected Shorter Poems (RC 35785)*. Ten poems in different styles written by the New England poet between 1957 and 1983. "Vermont" reflects on the origins of the state's French name, which translates as "green mountain," and celebrates Vermont's terrain, people, and history. Other selections include "Journey to a Known Place," "North Winter," and "The Sleeping Beauty (1970–1980)." 1994.

The Zone: A Dietary Road Map RC 42493
by Barry Sears
read by Rick Rohan
3 cassettes
Believing the trend toward eating a diet high in carbohydrates will not lead to weight loss and health, the author details a diet he calls "the zone." He stresses the importance of getting the correct amount of protein and restricting the amount and the types of carbohydrates eaten because of their detrimental hormonal effects. Bestseller 1995.

Dorothy L. Sayers: A Careless Rage for Life RC 42511
by David Coomes
read by Anne Flosnik
2 cassettes
This life of the creator of Lord Peter Wimsey—*Murder Must Advertise (RC 39257)*—relies heavily on the Oxford-educated Sayers's letters and other writings. Coomes details the intellectual British writer's feisty assertion of her religious views and sketches her private life, including her loveless marriage and the illegitimate son a cousin reared for her. 1992.

Writing Was Everything RC 42515
by Alfred Kazin
read by Terence Aselford
1 cassette
The author, editor, and literary critic offers his William E. Massey Sr. Lectures in the History of American Civilization, which he delivered at Harvard in 1994. In a prologue and three essays, Kazin reflects on his experiences, especially in the field of literature, before, during, and after World War II. He discusses contemporary writers and literary trends of the time. 1995.

Have Mercy! Confessions of the Original Rock 'n' Roll Animal RC 42519
by Wolfman Jack
read by Terence Aselford
2 cassettes
The man born Robert Smith describes his metamorphosis into Wolfman Jack as a disc jockey in Mexico in the 1960s. His popularity extended to the United States, where over the years he rubbed shoulders with musicians such as Elvis Presley, the Temptations, John Lennon, and Chuck Berry and got to play himself in the movie *American Graffiti*. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1995.

Excellent Cadavers: The Mafia and the Death of the First Italian Republic RC 42523
by Alexander Stille
read by Laura Giannarelli
4 cassettes
A reporter's account of Italy's war against the Mafia. Tells of two magistrates who cracked the Mafia's code of

silence and prosecuted 465 mafiosi. After the two were murdered in 1992, public outcry led to the indictment of Mafia leaders and powerful politicians. 1995.

Call the Briefing! Bush and Reagan, Sam and Helen; a Decade with Presidents and the Press RC 42524
by Marlin Fitzwater
read by Gregory Gorton
3 cassettes
The White House spokesman for presidents Reagan and Bush recounts his decade in that post. Presents a behind-the-scenes view of White House–news media dynamics. 1995.

What Happens When Women Pray RC 42532
by Evelyn Christenson
read by Barbara Pinolini
1 cassette
The 1968 national women's chairman for the Baptist General Conference shares her experiences in leading women in prayer. She offers the "Six Ss" rules for prayer groups: subject by subject, short prayers, simple prayers, specific prayer requests, silent periods, and small groups. Supports text with Bible passages and relates results obtained by many prayer groups. 1975.

Chimpanzee Travels: On and off the Road in Africa RC 42539
by Dale Peterson
read by Ted Stoddard
3 cassettes
The author, wanting to know more about chimpanzees, travels around east, west, and central Africa, and finally into the northern Congo and the heart of the Ndoki rain forest, an area where chimps have never seen humans. Peterson describes his meetings with Jane Goodall, natives, and tourists and his encounters with confusing trails, screaming gorillas, and raging chimpanzees. 1995.

Women in American Indian Society: Indians of North America RC 42641
by Rayna Green
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
1 cassette
Green examines the historical role of women in her Cherokee tribe and other North American tribes and their place in myths and creation stories. The power women had, especially in female-centered tribes, was diminished when European men came on the scene. Green also discusses reservation life and role models for early and present-day Native American women. For junior and senior high and older readers. 1992.

Trust and Betrayal: Real Life Stories of Friends and Enemies RC 42665
by Janet Bode
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
1 cassette
Presents frank views of life and friendship that emerged when teenagers from around the country were interviewed about peer pressure. Teens discuss positive experiences in relationships as well as difficult and painful situations they found themselves in. Some violence and some descriptions of sex. For junior and senior high readers. 1995.

Cassettes Fiction

Departed Glory: The Children of the Lion, Volume 16 RC 38504
by Peter Danielson
read by Patrick Horgan
2 cassettes
The scholar recites the history of the

Children of the Lion. He tells of Saul, reluctantly propelled into a kingly office, of the Philistines' attacks on the Canaanites, and of the Promised Land, now in enemy hands. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. Sequel to *Prophets and Warriors (RC 38503)*. 1993.

Moses Supposes RC 39659
by Ellen Currie
read by Barbara Rappaport
2 cassettes
A dozen stories about the ups and downs of domestic life. In the title story, an eighteen-year-old bride finds life "crummy" when she has to confront the realities of marriage and motherhood. In "Exit Interview," an executive lies to placate his mistress, knowing that he has no intention of leaving his wife and family. And in "Old Hag, You Have Killed Me," family members trade barbs as they look for someone to blame for their troubles. Strong language. 1994.

Dawn of the Golden Promise: An Emerald Ballad, Volume 5 RC 41307
by B.J. Hoff
read by Terry Donnelly
3 cassettes
In Ireland, Morgan and Finola Fitzgerald's faith is tested as Finola learns of her past and Morgan faces surgery that may or may not allow him to walk. In America, Michael Burke's faith allows him to realize he cannot spend his life trying to bring Patrick Walsh to justice. And as Christmas 1850 approaches, the families come together again after many years. Sequel to *Sons of an Ancient Glory (RC 41306)*. 1994.

Friday the Rabbi Slept Late RC 41384
by Harry Kemelman
read by Barry Bernson
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Rabbi Small is the chief suspect when the body of a woman is found strangled in his car. The rabbi proves to be a master of detection and aids the police in solving the crime. 1964.

The Source of Light RC 41387
by Reynolds Price
read by David Palmer
3 cassettes
As Price continues his story of the Mayfield family, he focuses on Hutchins Mayfield. In 1955, at twenty-five, Hutch has left his career as a prep school teacher in Virginia and his girlfriend, Ann, and traveled to England, where he is studying at Oxford and beginning a career as a writer. Sequel to *The Surface of Earth (RC 41386)*. 1980.

The Long Road Home RC 41474
by Lori Wick
read by Mary Woods
1 cassette
Paul Cameron and Abby Finlayson have each suffered the loss of a spouse after a brief marriage. Neither can understand how God allowed this to happen. In despair, Paul deserts his position as preacher and flees to a logging camp, where he is seriously injured. Abby, a nurse, helps Paul back to health. Perhaps God plans for them to be together. Sequel to *A Song for Silas (RC 41473)*. 1990.

Northwest Passage RC 41514
by Kenneth Roberts
read by Robert Sams
5 cassettes (Reissue)
An artist friend tells the story of a major who dreams of discovering an

overland passage to the Pacific. Some strong language and some violence. 1936.

Magic's Promise: The Last Herald-Mage, Book 2 RC 41572
by Mercedes Lackey
read by James DeLotel
3 cassettes
Vanyel, the most powerful of the Herald-Mages, continues the fight against threats of war and dark magic. A plea for help from a neighboring kingdom takes him and his companion, Yfandes, into the center of a magical holocaust of overwhelming devastation. But the force behind the devastation is unclear, and Vanyel faces a deadly and unknown master of dark powers. Sequel to *Magic's Pawn (RC 41571)*. Some strong language. 1990.

The White Gryphon: The Mage Wars, Book 2 RC 41578
by Mercedes Lackey and Larry Dixon
read by James DeLotel
2 cassettes
Ten years after the magical Cataclysm that destroyed the realm of Urtho, the survivors, led by the gryphon Skandranon and the human Amberdrake, have founded a new city on the edge of the Western Ocean. A conspiracy to sabotage negotiations with an adjacent kingdom, however, imperils all their new gains. Sequel to *The Black Gryphon (RC 41577)*. 1995.

Where Honor Dwells: The Appomattox Saga, Book 3 RC 41581
by Gilbert Morris
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
As the wedding of Dent Rocklin to Raimey Reed approaches, Vince Franklin, stepson of Amy Rocklin Franklin, returns home to claim his inheritance. Events conspire against Vince, and he is soon on the run. When Vince meets Jake, a riverboat gambler who could pass for his twin, his hopes begin to soar. But each must deal with Vince's half sister Rachel and her faith in God. Sequel to *Gate of His Enemies (RC 41580)*. 1993.

Taste of Victory: Australian Destiny, Book 3 RC 41671
by Sandy Dengler
read by Graeme Malcolm
2 cassettes
After Cole Sloan lost his sugar and tea plantation, he and Samantha Connolly each began a new life. Eventually they both end up in Riverina. Cole starts a brokerage business, and Samantha goes to work as a clerical assistant for the man who saved her life. Once more together, Cole and Samantha rekindle their relationship and hope they can make it work. Sequel to *Power of Pinjarra (RC 41670)*. 1989.

East of Outback: Australian Destiny, Book 4 RC 41672
by Sandy Dengler
read by Graeme Malcolm
2 cassettes
Cole and Samantha have now been married long enough to have four children who are reaching adolescence. Colin, the oldest, has set out on his own. The family is not sure of Colin's whereabouts until an article appears in the paper. Hannah, his sister, is impressed with Colin's lifestyle and runs away to join him. But the Colin she finds is not the brother she remembers. Sequel to *Taste of Victory (RC 41671)*. 1990.

People of the Sea: The First North Americans, Volume 5 RC 41692
by W. Michael Gear and
Kathleen O'Neal Gear
read by Jim Zeiger
4 cassettes
Kestrel, pregnant and menaced by her husband, escapes and heads for her dead lover's people—the Otter Clan on the West Coast. She and her baby are rescued by Sunchaser, but will protecting them keep him from saving his own clan from extinction? Sequel to *People of the River (RC 41691)*. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. For senior high and older readers. 1993.

Starlight and Splendor RC 41703
by Janelle Taylor
read by Ilona Dulaski
3 cassettes
Twins Amaya and Galen Saar are both Star Fleet officers, and their father is their highest superior. As Amaya departs for her first visit to their mother's planet, Earth, Galen falls for a female officer on his ship, not realizing she is there to spy on him. Meanwhile, Amaya is falling in love with a man on Earth who doesn't know she's an alien. Sequel to *Stardust and Shadows (RC 41702)*. Some violence and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

Caesar's Women RC 41781
by Colleen McCullough
read by Chuck Benson
6 cassettes
Sequel to *Fortune's Favorites (RC 37495)*. After success on the battlefield, Julius Caesar returns to the declining Rome (68 B.C.) to conquer in the Forum. He proves to be as ruthless a politician as he had been a warrior. He loves none of the women in his life—his mother, second wife, mistress, and daughter—but uses them for political gain. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1996.

Stoner's Crossing: Lone Star Legacy, Volume 2 RC 41789
by Judith Pella
read by Madelyn Buzzard
3 cassettes
Nineteen years ago, Deborah Stoner escaped her fate at the gallows of Stoner's Crossing thanks to outlaw Griff McCulloch. During the intervening years, she has raised two children, Carolyn and Sky, and she is now married to Sam Killion. But her past is coming back to haunt her, and this time more than just her life is in jeopardy. Her relationship with her children is also at risk. Sequel to *Frontier Lady (RC 41788)*. 1994.

The Patriots: An American Family Portrait, Book 3 RC 41814
by Jack Cavanaugh
read by John Horton
3 cassettes
Esau and Jacob, twin sons of Jared and Anne Morgan, have been rivals all their lives—a situation made worse when Jacob married Esau's fiancée while Esau studied abroad. When the American Revolution breaks out, the brothers find themselves fighting on opposite sides. While Anne Morgan prays for her family to be reunited, the brothers face the ultimate test of their wills. Sequel to *The Colonists (RC 40320)*. 1995.

Paradise Wild RC 41824
by Johanna Lindsey
read by Miranda Daniloff
3 cassettes
Corrine Barrows is an independent young woman determined to have her

way in everything. She is anxious to get married, since that is the only way she can control her inheritance before she is twenty-one. But she must marry a man of whom her father approves. Finally Corrine believes she has everything worked out to her advantage. Then Jared Burkett from Hawaii awakens her passions only to humiliate her. Some explicit descriptions of sex. 1981.

Dear James RC 41830
by Jon Hassler
read by Anne Hancock
3 cassettes
In her seventieth year Agatha McGee's teaching career is over and she is cut off from her truest friend, James. Agatha and James were pen pals for years—she in Minnesota, he in Ireland. Three years ago, Agatha traveled to Ireland to meet the man she loved, only to learn that James is a Catholic priest. Now, while visiting Rome, Agatha is startled to find James, who is changing his life and eager to restart their friendship. Some strong language. 1993.

Women of Wonder: The Classic Years; Science Fiction by Women from the 1940s to the 1970s RC 41832
edited by Pamela Sargent
read by Carole Jordan Stewart
4 cassettes
Twenty-one stories arranged chronologically, including "No Woman Born" by C.L. Moore, "Death between the Stars" by Marion Zimmer Bradley, "False Dawn" by Chelsea Quinn Yarbro, and "The Day before the Revolution" by Ursula K. Le Guin. Prequel to *Women of Wonder: The Contemporary Years (RC 41833)*. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1995.

The Engines of God RC 41883
by Jack McDevitt
read by Carole Jordan Stewart
3 cassettes
Early in the twenty-third century, young Priscilla "Hutch" Hutchins serves as a space pilot for a team of archaeologists investigating a long-extinct galactic civilization. Marvelling at the monuments left on distant planets, Hutch and her colleagues confront the natural hazards of new worlds and stay one step ahead of human colonizers, as the archaeologists unravel a secret that may be the key to human survival. Some strong language. 1994.

Official Privilege RC 41897
by P.T. Deutermann
read by Bruce Huntey
4 cassettes
When the body of a black navy lieutenant is found in a battleship, navy commander Dan Collins and civilian Grace Snow are assigned to investigate. After they learn the victim's sister, a navy lieutenant herself, also died an untimely death, they are removed from the case. Continuing on their own, Collins and Snow attract the attention of a deadly problem solver. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1995.

Memory and Dream RC 41898
by Charles de Lint
read by Madelyn Buzzard
4 cassettes
Magical creatures exist just beyond the perception of ordinary humans. Isabelle Copley, student of the mysterious artist Vincent Rushkin, learns the force of her paintings brings the magical creatures to life. Now, twenty years after her power brought unexpected tragedy, she re-

turns to the town of Newford to resume her painting and to use the magic of her brush to fulfill a promise to a long-dead friend. Some strong language. 1994.

Now Face to Face RC 41900
by Karleen Koen
read by Madelyn Buzzard
5 cassettes
1721. Financially ruined by her late husband's involvement in a scandal, Barbara Devane, twenty, flees to Virginia to grow tobacco on her grandmother's plantation. Meanwhile, George I and James III battle for control of the British crown. When a more mature Barbara returns to England, she becomes caught up in the Jacobite plots. Sequel to *Through a Glass Darkly (RC 23921)*. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1995.

The Neon Smile RC 41901
by Dick Lochte
read by Ray Foushee
3 cassettes
In the 1960s, New Orleans black militant Tyrone Pano killed himself in jail after being arrested for murdering his lover. Now, a young boy claims to have found Pano's diary, which reveals that Pano was actually an FBI agent. Private investigator Terry Manion is hired by a television producer to determine if Pano was murdered. Manion picks the case up where his late mentor, a police detective, left off years earlier. Strong language and some violence. 1995.

The Goodnight Trail: Trail Drive Series, Book 1 RC 41980
by Ralph Compton
read by Bob Askey
3 cassettes
With the Civil War over, four Texas Rangers are out of work. Charlie Goodnight reckons the best way to make a living is to round up unclaimed longhorns and blaze a new cattle trail through the mining country of New Mexico and Colorado. The four men, who live by their wits and guns, face unscrupulous traders and hostile Comanchees. Strong language and some violence. 1992.

The Chisholm Trail: Trail Drive Series, Book 3 RC 41982
by Ralph Compton
read by Bob Askey
2 cassettes
Young Tenatse Chisholm, son of the famous trailblazer, has the grit and savvy to make his own way in the rough-and-tumble West after the Civil War. Before letting him pursue his dream of driving Texas longhorns to Kansas, Ten's father sends him to New Orleans to make his own connections and prove his mettle. The Crescent City holds lessons of treachery and romance. Strong language and violence. 1993.

A Wild and Lonely Place RC 41991
by Marcia Muller
read by Pam Ward
2 cassettes
When the Diplo-Bomber strikes the Azadi consulate, Sharon McCone joins forces with the RKI security agency. She needs their resources, they need her police connections. The reward money is only partial incentive. McCone is committed to protecting the bright and resourceful Habiba, granddaughter of the consul general, who is endangered by family forces as well as by the bomber. Some violence, some strong language, and some descriptions of sex. 1995.

Freedom's Landing RC 42013
by Anne McCaffrey
read by Mary Woods
2 cassettes
When huge spaceships appear above the cities of Earth, Kris Bjornsen is one of the many humans captured and forced into slavery by the Catteni aliens. But she is able to regain a semblance of freedom when her Catteni overlords send her and other slaves to a newly discovered world to see if it can be settled. With the help of an exiled Catteni aristocrat, she is determined to make a new home for herself. Some strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1995.

Prime Suspect 3 RC 42031
by Lynda La Plante
read by Mary Woods
2 cassettes
Detective Chief Inspector Jane Tennison expects hostility as she becomes the first female head of the vice squad in London's Soho. Suddenly she is told how to handle the murder of a male prostitute, the newest case of her main assignment, Operation Contract. This is more than the hazing Tennison expected, and she is determined to discover why. Sequel to *Prime Suspect 2 (RC 39342)*. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

Metropolitan RC 42033
by Walter Jon Williams
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
3 cassettes
Aiah's world consists of one immense, globe-spanning city where geomantic relationships create an invaluable energy called plasm. A powerful elite controls this energy, while the majority of inhabitants live in a disenfranchised, hierarchical society. When Aiah discovers an untapped source of plasm, she knows it can lead to wealth, but she ends up in the service of an idealist rebel who converts her to his cause. Some strong language. 1995.

The Tenth Insight: Holding the Vision; Further Adventures of *The Celestine Prophecy* RC 42041
by James Redfield
read by Erik Sandvold
2 cassettes
In *The Celestine Prophecy (RC 38075)*, the author experienced nine ancient spiritual insights. Now he searches for the tenth insight as he looks for his friend Charlene Billings, who has disappeared into the Appalachian Mountains. Some strong language. Bestseller 1996.

Sudden Prey RC 42043
by John Sandford
read by David Palmer
2 cassettes
Minneapolis cop Lucas Davenport is involved in the shooting deaths of two outlaw women, Candy and Georgie LaChaise. Imprisoned Dick LaChaise (Candy's husband and Georgie's brother) escapes when he is allowed to attend their funeral. He seeks vengeance by killing the loved ones of the cops responsible for his loss. Strong language and violence. Bestseller 1996.

Rulers of Darkness RC 42109
by Steven Spruill
read by Mary Kane
3 cassettes
When police detective Merrick Chapman sees that a corpse's neck was chewed open, he knows he's dealing with Zane, a centuries-old "hemophage" who needs blood to live. Mer-

rick can't reveal this even to his former lover, hematologist Katie O'Keefe, because Zane is his son. Unlike Zane, Merrick lives humanely and tries to stop other hemophages. Strong language, violence, and some descriptions of sex. 1995.

Isabel's Bed RC 42122
by Elinor Lipman
read by Faith Potts
2 cassettes
Harriet Mahoney, forty-two, is an aspiring novelist whose live-in lover of twelve years has just announced that he is marrying someone else. Answering an ad in the *New York Review of Books*, Harriet accepts a job to move to the Cape Cod retreat of Isabel Krug and ghost-write her story. Isabel is famous because the wife of her millionaire lover shot and killed him while he was in bed with Isabel. Strong language and some violence. 1995.

Storm Warning: The Mage Storms, Book 1 RC 42123
by Mercedes Lackey
read by Gary Tipton
3 cassettes
The Herald mages and the horselike Companions of Valdemar attempt to establish an alliance with the neighboring kingdom of Karse, despite the traditional prejudices between the two lands. But even the powerful magic forged by such an alliance may be insufficient to ward off the invading forces of the mighty Eastern Empire. Prequel to *Storm Rising (RC 42124)*. 1994.

Orion among the Stars RC 42127
by Ben Bova
read by Bruce Huntey
2 cassettes
Orion, the immortal warrior, is in love with the goddess Anya, but he must do the bidding of Aten, his Creator, who forces Orion to fight in a war against Anya. As part of Aten's plan, Orion is sent through space-time to command a troop of cloned humans in an interstellar war. However, Orion is determined that he and his troops won't be pawns in someone else's game. Sequel to *Orion and the Conqueror (RC 40831)*. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1995.

Alley Kat Blues RC 42136
by Karen Kijewski
read by Carole Jordan Stewart
3 cassettes
Private investigator Kat Colorado discovers the run-over body of Courtney Dillard. Courtney's mother hires Kat to find out if Courtney was murdered, knowing her daughter, a rape victim, wouldn't leave her car to fix a flat tire. Kat's boyfriend, Las Vegas cop Hank Parker, says he is too busy tracking a serial killer to help her. But when Kat finds a naked woman in Hank's bed, Kat doesn't believe him. Some strong language and some violence. 1995.

Furious Gulf RC 42137
by Gregory Benford
read by John Polk
3 cassettes
Pursued by the hostile "mechs," Captain Killeen leads the last remnants of humanity toward the center of the galaxy where, he believes, his people can find a fabled safe haven. But Killeen's obsessive search and bizarre actions alienate his people, and even his son, Toby, begins to doubt Killeen's sanity. Fifth novel of the Galactic Center series. Sequel to *Tides of Light (RC 30088)*. 1994.

The Intruders RC 42142
by Stephen Coonts
read by Roy Avers
3 cassettes
In this sequel to *Flight of the Intruder (RC 25229)*, Jake Grafton has returned stateside following the U.S. pullout from Vietnam. But his stay on land is short—thanks to his getting into a bar fight while visiting his girlfriend, Callie McKenzie. Jake's commander bails him out and assigns him to eight months aboard an aircraft carrier teaching Marines the intricacies of carrier-based flying. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1994.

Sophie's World: A Novel about the History of Philosophy RC 42143
by Jostein Gaarder
read by Carole Jordan Stewart
4 cassettes
Fifteen-year-old Sophie receives a peculiar letter asking basic questions about life and the world. As she ventures through the history of Western philosophy, she solves the mystery of the letter and uncovers a startling truth about herself. Bestseller 1994.

Amnesia RC 42145
by Douglas Cooper
read by Barry Bernson
2 cassettes
A contemporary novel exploring the relationship among memory, guilt, and passion. Four hours before he is to be married, a Toronto archival librarian is visited by a stranger, Izzy Darlow, who tells several disconnected stories of his family and of Katie, a young woman in a mental hospital. Some strong language, some violence, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

The Great American Novel RC 42148
by Philip Roth
read by Bruce Huntey
3 cassettes (Reissue)
Sports writer "Word" Smith tells the chaotic history of a forgotten third major baseball league (the Patriot League) and its bungling Ruppert Mundys, a team of misfit leftovers who were rejected for duty in World War II. Strong language. 1973.

Slow Heat in Heaven RC 42150
by Sandra Brown
read by Ann Hodapp
3 cassettes
When Cotton Crandall has a heart attack, his adopted daughter Schyler returns to Heaven, Louisiana, for the first time since her sister (also adopted) stole her fiancé six years ago. Schyler is surprised to find Cajun Cash Boudreaux, who grew up on the estate, is still there; shocked at her strong attraction to him; and unsettled by what he tells her about the family business. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1988.

The Nirvana Blues: New Mexico Trilogy, Volume 3 RC 42151
by John Nichols
read by Ray Foushee
5 cassettes
Sequel to *The Magic Journey (RC 14581)*. After the 1970s dropouts have invaded Chamisaville in search of a cosmic home, only one Chicano farmer remains. Now even he must sell the last piece of virgin land, and former ad writer Joe sees the land as his own chance to find serenity. Good-guy Joe, unfortunately, must play drug dealer to get the money. Strong language, explicit descriptions of sex, and some violence. 1981.

***A Knot in the Grain* and Other Stories**
RC 42154
by Robin McKinley
read by Madelyn Buzzard
1 cassette
Five stories that deal with love between ill-matched pairs. In "The Healer," Lily is born without the ability to speak, but her love for a mage—who can mind speak with her—leads her to the great wizard, who restores her voice. The title story, set in contemporary times, explains how Annabelle, sixteen, learns to love her new home and community. Some strong language. For junior and senior high readers. 1994.

Shizuko's Daughter RC 42155
by Kyoko Mori
read by Jill Fox
1 cassette
Yuki, a twelve-year-old Japanese girl, returns home to find her mother lifeless on the floor. A note explains that although her mother has killed herself, she loves Yuki very much, and this was for the best. The next several years are lonely for Yuki, but she finds comfort in art, which her mother had shared with her. She comes to understand her mother's death and begins planning for her own future. For junior and senior high readers. 1993.

High Fidelity RC 42158
by Nick Hornby
read by John Polk
2 cassettes
Rob, who measures his life by pop songs, dropped out of college because of a failed relationship. Now in his thirties, he is shocked to be still working in a London record store, even though he owns this one. When his live-in attorney girlfriend, Laura, leaves him, he is forced to reevaluate his life, his obsession with his kind of music, and his string of relationships that just didn't work out. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1995.

South Sea Tales RC 42162
by Jack London
read by Ray Foushee
1 cassette
Eight tales of adventure on the seas of the South Pacific. Salty, often violent characters pit themselves against each other and against nature. In "The Seed of McCoy," a smoldering ship is boarded at Pitcairn by a descendant of one of the famous *Bounty*'s survivors, who guides the ship to safety. Introduction by A. Grove Day tells of London's own adventure in the south seas, which inspired and financed his writing. Some violence. 1911.

Alien Plot RC 42163
by Piers Anthony
read by Gary Tipton
2 cassettes
Collection of seventeen science fiction and fantasy stories, seven of which appear here for the first time. The title story deals with a man sent on a mission to a magical world in another dimension where he finds a long-wanted home. Anthony's disdain for editors and publishers is a recurring theme in many of the story introductions as well as in his satirical story "Nonent." His essay "Think of the Reader" rounds out the collection. 1992.

Cry Me a River RC 42166
by T.R. Pearson
read by James DeLotel
2 cassettes
The cops in this seemingly peaceful southern town are so laid back they

take the town drunk out for a ride, rather than locking him up—until the night when the cop telling the story finds his fellow cop's body dumped in the woods. As he pursues his friend's killer, eccentric characters lead him to some ugly truths. Some strong language, some violence, and some descriptions of sex. 1993.

The Unplowed Sky RC 42167
by Jeanne Williams
read by Janis Gray
3 cassettes
In 1924 Kansas, nineteen-year-old Hallie Meredith becomes guardian of her five-year-old half brother, Jack. To support him, Hallie takes a job as a cook for a threshing company. Company owner Garth MacCleod's wife had long ago left him and their adolescent daughter, Meg. While learning her new job, Hallie tries to overcome Garth and Meg's suspicion of women. 1994.

Deadly Rich RC 42169
by Edward Stewart
read by Ray Foushee
4 cassettes
Alcoholic actress Leigh Baker helps convict Jim Delancey by testifying that he killed her daughter. Later, when Delancey is out of prison and Baker has sobered up at the Betty Ford Clinic, members of Baker's social circle are murdered and the serial killer writes to the newspaper, calling himself Society Sam. NYPD detective Cardozo knows the murders are linked to Baker but is not sure Delancey is guilty. Strong language and violence. 1991.

Suitable for Framing RC 42171
by Edna Buchanan
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
Crime reporter Britt Montero and her photographer friend Lottie are just leaving a Miami shopping mall when they witness a hit-and-run accident that also involves a car theft. It is one of a string of car thefts, but this one leaves a child dead and a mother clinging to life. Britt gets some help from a reluctant gang member but also finds herself accused of a colleague's murder. Strong language and some violence. 1995.

Modern Classic Short Novels of Science Fiction RC 42174
edited by Gardner Dozois
read by Roy Avers
6 cassettes
Thirteen stories published between 1958 and 1991 by contemporary science fiction authors. Includes "The Miracle Workers" by Jack Vance, "The Longest Voyage" by Poul Anderson, "On the Storm Planet" by Cordwainer Smith, "The Star Pit" by Samuel R. Delany, and "Souls" by Joanna Russ. Some strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. For senior high and older readers. 1994.

Mother Love: A Karl Alberg Mystery with Cassandra Mitchell RC 42176
by Laurali R. Wright
read by Roy Avers
2 cassettes
When her daughter, Belinda, is fourteen, Maria Buscombe leaves home. Each year for the next seven years, she receives twenty thousand dollars and a picture of Belinda. When she decides to go back home, however, she is murdered. Sergeant Karl Alberg unravels

the mystery that kept Maria away for seven years and then caused her death. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1995.

Antimatter RC 42177
by John Vornholt
read by James DeLotel
2 cassettes
Commander Benjamin Sisko and Major Kira Nerys are overlooking the construction site of the starship *Hannibal* when an explosion rocks the area. Apparently the tanker *Phoenix*, loaded with antimatter that will power the new ship, has been hijacked. With the economy of Bajor at stake, Sisko and his aides must infiltrate the group of hijackers to reclaim the antimatter. A Star Trek Deep Space Nine novel. Some violence. 1994.

Kaleidoscope Century RC 42178
by John Barnes
read by Ray Foushee
2 cassettes
Joshua Ali Quare wakes up on Mars in the year 2109 with no memories. His only connections with the past are computer messages he apparently left to himself. As he pieces his history together, he learns some very unpleasant things about himself and the world during his long lifetime. Soldier, criminal, assassin, and spy appear to be some of his previous occupations. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1995.

The Tyrant RC 42179
by Patricia Veryan
read by Madelyn Buzzard
3 cassettes
In England in 1746, Miss Phoebe Ramsey is at a party in her parents' home when her brother asks for her help with an injured Jacobite. Although shocked that Sinclair is putting his family in jeopardy by aiding a rebel, Phoebe agrees to summon the injured man's friend from the party. He is Meredith Carruthers, known as the Tyrant. To disguise what they are doing, Phoebe and Meredith reluctantly pretend to be engaged. Some strong language. 1987.

A Farce to Be Reckoned With RC 42185
by Roger Zelazny and Robert Sheckley
read by James DeLotel
2 cassettes
This comic fantasy features the fox-faced demon Azzie Elbub, who hits on the idea of bringing humanity to Evil by staging an "immorality play" with all of Renaissance Europe as the backdrop. But the meddlesome Archangel Michael, that insufferable agent for Good, arrives on the scene and threatens to close down the play before it ever opens. Sequel to *If at Faust You Don't Succeed (RC 38195)*. 1995.

A Regency Valentine RC 42187
by Mary Balogh and others
read by Jill Fox
2 cassettes
Mary Balogh's *Golden Rose* features a masked Valentine's Day ball at Bath. Gentlemen are to send anonymous valentines to the ladies they want to meet at the dance. Katherine Kingsley, Emma Lange, Patricia Rice, and Joan Wolf contribute four other regency valentine romance novellas: *The Secret Benefactor*, *Lady Valentine's Scheme*, *Fathers and Daughters*, and *The Antagonists*. 1991.

Main Street RC 42189
by Sinclair Lewis
read by Mitzi Friedlander
4 cassettes (Reissue)
Lewis, the first American to win the Nobel Prize in literature, portrays a small town in a novel that was to become a classic. An educated young woman with a taste for "highbrow" drama and a knack for town planning marries a doctor and begins a crusade against the narrow-mindedness of the natives of their midwestern community, Gopher Prairie. 1920.

The Yukon Queen: The House of Winslow, Book 17 RC 42190
by Gilbert Morris
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
Following a family reunion in Virginia, Cassidy Winslow decides to travel to New York and make his fortune rather than return to Wyoming. But a bad experience sends Cassidy packing, and he ends up in Seattle where, having become ill, he is nursed back to health by Fletcher Stevens. The elderly Stevens dies after getting Cassidy to promise to care for Stevens's daughter. Sequel to *The Jeweled Spur (RC 41860)*. 1995.

The Burglar Who Traded Ted Williams RC 42198
by Lawrence Block
read by Michael Stanton
2 cassettes
Burglar Bernie Rhodenbarr has been straight for a year, but now the rent on his bookstore has gone way up. Bernie convinces himself not to rob the Gilmartins' apartment but cannot resist the Nugents' when he learns they are in Europe. Once inside, Bernie rapidly aborts his plan when he finds a corpse in a locked bathroom. He goes home, only to find he is under arrest for stealing valuable baseball cards from the Gilmartins' apartment! Strong language. 1994.

When Christ and His Saints Slept RC 42212
by Sharon Kay Penman
read by George Holmes
7 cassettes
Fictionalized account of the twelfth-century struggle for the English crown between Maude, daughter of Henry I, and her cousin Stephen. They lead their supporters into a contest that will last twenty years and wreak havoc throughout the kingdom, as they battle for control castle by castle and town by town. 1995.

Prague: A Traveler's Literary Companion RC 42219
edited by Paul Wilson
read by Ed Blake
2 cassettes
Twenty-two short stories set in Prague and written in the late 1800s and the 1900s, with a prologue and an epilogue about the city. In "The First Vision," a man tries, through alchemy, to make gold for Emperor Rudolph but succeeds only in creating silver. In "The Sword of St. Wenceslas," a legendary sword is hidden among the children when the Germans invade. Some violence and some descriptions of sex. 1995.

The Penny Wedding RC 42235
by Jessica Stirling
read by Patricia Kilgarriff
3 cassettes
Glasgow, 1930s. When her mother dies, Alison Burnside suddenly finds herself having to choose between her goals and her family. She wants to continue her

education, but times are hard; and Grandmother Gilfillan insists Alison do her duty, leave school, and care for her father and adult brothers. But Alison refuses to quit and does well under the tutelage of Jim Abbott. Medical school and a wedding may even be in her future. 1994.

A Fable RC 42248
by William Faulkner
read by Ted Stoddard
4 cassettes
In rhetoric that denounces war, the novel presents a parallel between the false armistice in France in 1918 and the Passion Week. A French corporal and his twelve followers bring action at the front to a standstill as they spread the gospel of the brotherhood of humankind. Pulitzer Prize 1955. 1954.

The Blue and Distant Hills RC 42256
by Judith Saxton
read by Corrie James
4 cassettes
It is 1947 and Questa Adamson has just returned to her homeland after spending the war years hiding out in Italy. A waif-like seventeen, she has inherited Eagles Court, now just a ruin, in the Shropshire hills. She plans to live there while returning the estate to its former glory. But on her first night, Questa is visited in a dream by a Roman soldier. Some strong language. 1993.

Schoom RC 42258
by Jonathan Wilson
read by Vanessa Maroney
2 cassettes
Collection of twelve short stories told in a wry voice. A common theme is the alienation and confusion of men in their relationships, especially with women. In the title story, a young Israeli spends much of his time pursuing various women. He suspects he does this to provide entertainment to his sleepy but judgmental therapist, Schoom, who has his own peculiarities. Strong language, some violence, and some descriptions of sex. 1993.

Rider at the Gate RC 42261
by C.J. Cherryh
read by Vanessa Maroney
4 cassettes
On the planet Finisterre, human colonists huddle behind the walls of towns to protect themselves from the telepathic native life-forms that cause madness. Only a few humans who form special bonds with the native night horses can venture beyond the towns. When a nighthorse and its human rider are killed, apparently by a rogue nighthorse, rider Guil Stuart and his mount, Burn, set out to slay the mad creature. Strong language. 1995.

The Cove RC 42271
by Catherine Coulter
read by Jack Fox
2 cassettes
Someone thinks Sally Brainerd knows who murdered her father. If Sally can just get to Aunt Amabel's house, The Cove, on the Pacific coast, she knows she will be safe. But then, the man she begins to rely on for help turns out to be with the FBI. Violence, some strong language, and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1996.

Malice RC 42274
by Danielle Steel
read by Jill Fox
2 cassettes
At twenty-one, Grace Adams has endured rape, a prison sentence for killing her father, a sleazy probation officer,

and harassment by an equally sleazy photographer. Now she is working for a New York law firm and trying to put the past behind her. But some people have a different idea. Some violence, some strong language, and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1996.

Another You RC 42275
by Ann Beattie
read by Mitzi Friedlander
3 cassettes
Novel about the many sides of the marriage of professor Marshall Lockard and his wife, real estate broker Sonja. Both have predictable midlife-crisis affairs, but circumstances around them explode into more serious trouble. By the author of *Picturing Will (RC 30750)*. Strong language, explicit descriptions of sex, and some violence. 1995.

Sportsman's Paradise RC 42279
by Nancy Lemann
read by Carole Jordan Stewart
2 cassettes
By the bay at Orient Point on Long Island, Southern exiles congregate for weekends of sun, drink, charm, and good times. Storey Collier, a glamour girl from Louisiana, heads the cast of eccentric but lovable characters as she tends to her cousin's small children. For all the quirks of the crowd, they remain gallant, genteel, and honorable. Some descriptions of sex. 1992.

Lakota Surrender RC 42281
by Karen Kay
read by Jill Fox
2 cassettes
When Kristina Bogard was young, her Indian nanny had a dream that Kristina would someday live with an Indian tribe. Kristina has since had visions of an Indian brave. Now a young woman in 1833, Kristina is thrilled to be joining her cavalry officer father at a Kansas fort. Meanwhile the man in her visions, Lakota brave Tahiska, learns his father was murdered and heads for the fort to find the killers. Explicit descriptions of sex and some violence. 1994.

Callander Square RC 42282
by Anne Perry
read by Terry Hayes Sales
2 cassettes
When gardeners discover the bodies of two babies buried in Callander Square, the well-to-do Victorian residents are shocked but assume the infants were born to a parlor maid. As Inspector Thomas Pitt begins interviewing the staff, his wife, Charlotte, and her wealthy sister, Emily, begin an investigation of their own. Before any of them can determine the identity of the babies, a blackmail scheme is uncovered and two adults are murdered. 1980.

Look for Me by Moonlight RC 42295
by Mary Downing Hahn
read by Jill Fox
1 cassette
Sixteen-year-old Cynda travels to Maine to live with her father, stepmother, and young half-brother while her mother and stepfather take an extended trip to Italy. At first Cynda is spooked by her father's inn, which is rumored to be haunted, but when handsome poet Vincent Morthanos appears for a long stay, Cynda falls in love. By the time she realizes Vincent is evil, he has already gained power over the entire family. For junior and senior high readers. 1995.

The Village RC 42296
by David Mamet
read by Barry Bernson
1 cassette
The thoughts and conversations of a handful of men in a declining New England community. The novel depicts the activities that shape their lives: hunting, chopping wood, meeting in the hardware store, and fighting loneliness. By the author of *Glengarry Glen Ross (RC 38007)*. Strong language, violence, and some descriptions of sex. 1994.

Running from Russia RC 42301
by Barbara Cartland
read by Terry Hayes Sales
1 cassette
English diplomat Viscount Bredon has just finished meeting with the Tsar of Russia and is leaving by train. Alone in his compartment, Bredon is shocked to find a young Russian princess a stowaway in his luggage. The daughter of an Englishwoman, the princess is fleeing the Tsar, who plans to marry her off in an attempt to take control of India. Dismayed at being lied to by the Tsar, Bredon realizes he has no choice but to help the princess. 1995.

The Evolution Man; or, How I Ate My Father RC 42302
by Roy Lewis
read by Barry Bernson
1 cassette
Although his brother Vanya still believes trees are the safest place to live, Edward and his family have come down from the trees to live in the caves. Edward, a scientist, discovers a way to bring fire from the volcanoes into the caves and then invents flint to start his own fires. He even has ideas for a row of semi-detached caves. 1960.

Where the River Runs RC 42303
by Richard S. Wheeler
read by John Polk
2 cassettes
In 1849 Captain Jed Owen is in command of a Montana treaty and exploring party. His band of men are struck by illness and die one by one, leaving nearly dead Owen a prisoner of the Kootenai tribe. When he is finally healed and set free, Owen, clutching a bag of deathbed letters from his men, must find his own way home. Meanwhile, Owen's fiancée, Susannah St. George, a colonel's daughter, sets out to find Owen. Some violence. 1990.

The Grass Dancer RC 42305
by Susan Power
read by Jill Fox
2 cassettes
Interlocking stories about the Sioux Indians of North Dakota. In these tales, which move freely from the 1860s to the 1970s and 1980s, we learn about the customs and folklore of the Sioux. Power writes of the arrival of a teacher for the reservation's children, of a young couple who must make peace with the ghosts of their ancestors, and of the anger, greed, jealousy, illness, injustice, and poverty that exist on the reservation. 1994.

Redeye: A Western RC 42318
by Clyde Edgerton
read by Bob Askey
1 cassette
Characters take turns relating this tale set in 1892. A local rancher has discovered cliff dwellings in Mesa Largo, Colorado, and various citizens have different plans for the site of the dwellings. Yet each—an embalmer, a bishop, a young girl, an Englishman, and a drifter with his red-eyed dog—hopes to make

Mesa Largo into a bustling town. Some strong language. 1995.

My Home Is Far Away RC 42319
by Dawn Powell
read by Yvonne Fair Tessler
2 cassettes
Autobiographical novel set in the Midwest in the early twentieth century. Marcia Willard, the second of three daughters, is not as pretty as the older Lena, and her exceptional memory and intelligence win her no friends. Under the thumb of their petty stepmother, the satiric Marcia becomes a keen observer of life in mid-America. Foreword by Tim Page about the author's life accompanies the original 1944 novel. 1995.

Montana Sky RC 42321
by Nora Roberts
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
3 cassettes
Jack Mercy's youngest daughter expects to inherit the ranch she has spent her life on. But when the will is read, Willa and the two sisters she has never met—they had different mothers—learn the ranch was left to all three of them, with stipulations. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1996.

Bar-20 RC 42322
by Clarence E. Mulford
read by Bob Askey
2 cassettes
The outfit of the Bar-20 ranch of upper Texas is "perhaps the most famous from Canada to the Rio Grande." Buck Peters is the foreman, and among his men is Hopalong Cassidy, who earned his limp preventing a murder years before. Buck is prominent in a long-standing feud with neighboring ranches, but cowboys aren't the only ones after the men of Bar-20. Strong language and violence. 1992.

Star Wars: Shadows of the Empire RC 42326
by Steve Perry
read by Chuck Benson
2 cassettes
In this companion to *The Empire Strikes Back (RC 16395)*, Darth Vader still lives—and rivals Xizor, an equally powerful villain. While Rebel hero Luke Skywalker and Princess Leia mount an attempt to free Han Solo, Vader and Xizor vie for primacy. In an explosive showdown, the Rebel fleet attacks Xizor's stronghold in deep space. A Star Wars novel. 1996.

Monte Walsh RC 42329
by Jack Schaefer
read by David Hartley-Margolin
4 cassettes (Reissue)
A Western horseman's life from age sixteen to late middle age is a microcosm of the period of the open range. A series of episodes reveals his character, those of his companions, and a way of life that is hard, but free. Strong language and some violence. 1981.

Accordion Crimes RC 42332
by E. Annie Proulx
read by Ken Kliban
3 cassettes
Tells the harsh stories of several working-class immigrants to America, each of whom possessed the same green accordion. Made in Sicily in 1890, the instrument plays the laments of many cultures as it is passed from group to group. Violence, strong language, and explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1996.

The Runaway Jury RC 42334
by John Grisham
read by Chuck Benson
3 cassettes
Using jury consultants with elaborate and illegal research techniques, the tobacco companies have managed to win every lawsuit brought against them. Now, in Mississippi, a man has purposely placed himself on the jury of the latest tobacco trial. Strong language. Bestseller 1996.

Sabbath's Theater RC 42376
by Philip Roth
read by Richard Davidson
4 cassettes
Sixty-four-year-old Mickey Sabbath is a former puppeteer known for his rather lewd performances, which were perhaps his way of masking the suffering he endured after the disappearance of his first wife and the deaths of his mother and older brother. Now the cancer death of his long-time mistress, Drenka Balich, has undone him further, and Mickey is on a journey toward suicide. Strong language and explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1995.

Enigma RC 42377
by Robert Harris
read by Graeme Malcolm
2 cassettes
February 1943. Cryptanalyst Thomas Jericho is recovering from a nervous breakdown suffered while deciphering Hitler's codes at Bletchley. While recuperating, Jericho develops a relationship with cryptographer Claire. A month later, he is recalled to Bletchley, where he must break Hitler's new codes to save a convoy of American ships headed to England. And he must find the missing Claire, who may have been a spy. Some strong language. Bestseller 1995.

Spanish Gold: The Gunsmith RC 42379
by J.R. Roberts
read by J.P. Linton
1 cassette
Clint Adams, the Gunsmith, is fishing when he is kidnapped by two men. They have just fatally shot a prospector while trying to learn the location of some buried Spanish gold. Adams gets away and locates the prospector's daughter, Annie Bates, in Silver City. The two decide to find the gold themselves, but they're not the only ones with that plan. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

A Voice in the Wind: Mark of the Lion, Volume 1 RC 42380
by Francine Rivers
read by John Horton
4 cassettes
Having survived the sacking of Jerusalem and the brutal voyage to Rome, Hadassah is sold into slavery as the servant of Julia, a girl about her age. Hadassah finds herself attracted to Julia's brother, Marcus, although she knows any kind of relationship is forbidden. But in time, Hadassah will call upon her faith to save the family and the man she has grown to love. Prequel to *An Echo in the Darkness (RC 42396)*. 1993.

Shadow of the Mountains: Cheney Duvall, M.D., Volume 2 RC 42381
by Lynn and Gilbert Morris
read by Suzanne Toren
2 cassettes
After spending some time in Washington Territory, Cheney and Shiloh Irons, her nurse, return to New York. When

she arrives, Cheney finds a letter from her old friend Sharon, who is expecting her first child, asking Cheney to come to Arkansas. It seems they have no doctor there. But Cheney finds herself facing people who are superstitious and opposed to medical science. Sequel to *The Stars for a Light (RC 41058)*. 1994.

Visions of Gerard RC 42382
by Jack Kerouac
read by Ed Blake
1 cassette
This first segment of Kerouac's fictionalized autobiography memorializes Gerard, his saintly, sickly older brother. The pale and delicate Gerard is very kind and cares for all creatures around him. His illness and death raise questions about immortality and spirituality within the context of the author's Buddhist explorations and the French Canadian family's Catholicism. Some strong language. 1958.

Big Sur RC 42404
by Jack Kerouac
read by Ed Blake
2 cassettes
Final volume of Kerouac's Duluoz Legend, which began with *On the Road (RC 31675)*. Middle-aged Jack Duluoz has returned to the West Coast by train, which he can afford after the success of his novel. He has achieved cult status but feels distanced from his teenage followers. He and old friends hang out in a Big Sur cabin, writing, drinking, and watching their lives fall apart. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1962.

Champion with a Gun: The Gunsmith RC 42409
by J.R. Roberts
read by J.P. Linton
1 cassette
When Clint Adams sprains his ankle on the trail, he rides to a nearby settlement for help. He is greeted by men with guns who think Adams is working for Dave Peck, a wealthy lumberman who has been trying to run them off the land. When they learn that Adams is the renowned Gunsmith, the settlers decide to enlist him on their side. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

Atticus RC 42415
by Ron Hansen
read by David Hartley-Margolin
2 cassettes
Atticus Cody, sixty-seven, is a rich Colorado oilman who has never been able to communicate with his youngest son, Scott, who at forty still has no meaningful job. Scott believes his father blames him for the car accident that killed his father's wife. But when Scott's girlfriend calls Atticus to Mexico claiming Scott has committed suicide, Atticus finally expresses his love for his son by deciding to learn what really happened to him. Some violence. Bestseller 1996.

Superstitious RC 42417
by R.L. Stine
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Sara Morgan has returned to her Pennsylvania alma mater for a graduate degree. She meets Liam O'Connor, an appealing new folklore professor whose only downside is his superstitious nature. Their romance blossoms despite a rash of horrible murders in the tiny col-

lege town. But after a whirlwind courtship and wedding, Sara makes a troubling discovery. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1995.

Phule's Paradise RC 42419
by Robert Asprin
read by Jamie Horton
2 cassettes
Although they are the laughingstock of the Space Legion, Captain Phule and his motley crew of human and alien misfits are sent on a mission to guard an intergalactic casino from an illegal takeover. Can the clumsy, sloppy, ragtag legionnaires of Phule's company beat the odds and actually fulfill their mission? Sequel to *Phule's Company (RC 36848)*. 1992.

The Valentine Legacy RC 42422
by Catherine Coulter
read by Jill Ferris
3 cassettes
Tomboy Jessie Warfield and James Wyndham often compete in horse races in 1820s Baltimore, Maryland. James speaks of his English cousins, Marcus and "Duchess" Wyndham, so when Jessie must flee the country, she turns to them for help. James follows Jessie to England and finds her transformed into a lady—just the beginning of his problems. Sequel to *The Nightingale Legacy (RC 40514)*. Explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. 1995.

Devil Wire RC 42427
by Cameron Judd
read by Jim Zeiger
2 cassettes
As the West is being settled, barbed wire is changing the way lands are used, a situation that riles lots of folks. Jim Hartford arrives in Montana to start afresh as a rancher but quickly finds himself embroiled in the bloody battle over "the devil wire." His future and everything he and his brother have worked for are at stake in this wild land. Some violence. 1981.

Children of the Dust RC 42429
by Clancy Carlile
read by Jim Zeiger
4 cassettes
Two intertwined stories of life in the West during the 1880s Oklahoma land rush. In one tale, Gypsy Smith, a lawman and gunfighter of mixed heritage, leads a band of settlers from Tennessee to Oklahoma and falls in love with a schoolteacher along the way. He suffers greatly at the hands of the Klan on the eve of his wedding. In the other story, a superintendent's daughter falls in love with a young Indian boy. Violence and some strong language. 1995.

The Intrigue: Being the Second Volume of the Daughters of Mannerling RC 42438
by Marion Chesney
read by Yvonne Fair Tessler
1 cassette
Sequel to *The Banishment (RC 42437)*. In nineteenth-century England, the remaining five Beverley sisters continue to pine for the Mannerling mansion their father lost gambling. Daughter Jessica decides to accomplish what her older sister failed to do: marry the new owner. Meanwhile, Lord Beverley's death leaves enough money for a governess, and mysterious Miss Trumble enters the girls' lives. 1995.

Final Jeopardy RC 42441
by Linda Fairstein
read by Faith Potts
2 cassettes
Ever since assistant D.A. Alexandra Cooper met film star Isabella Lascar, who was researching a movie, Isabella has been taking advantage of her. Now, while borrowing Alex's vacation house, Isabella is murdered. Was the bullet meant for Alex, or was the shooting the work of Isabella's stalker? Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1996.

Growing Up RC 42468
by Angela Thirkell
read by Anne Flosnik
2 cassettes
As World War II continues, the people of Barsetshire face more and more changes in their lives. Mr. Beedle, stationmaster at the Winter Overcotes station, now has to deal with women porters and the declining use of his railway station. The Warings of Beliers Priory have turned their house into a convalescent home and are living in what had been the servants' quarters. Yet each resident strives to maintain a sense of dignity. 1943.

Two for the Dough RC 42474
by Janet Evanovich
read by Dani Carr
2 cassettes
In this sequel to *One for the Money (RC 40224)*, Stephanie Plum continues her new career as a bounty hunter in Trenton, New Jersey. She is after Kenny Mancuso, who skipped bail after shooting his best friend in the knee. Kenny is a relative of cop Joe Morelli, who insists on helping Stephanie with the case. Meanwhile Stephanie and her grandmother, a Dirty Harry fan, attend wakes in a search for stolen caskets. Strong language and some violence. 1996.

Snow in April RC 42485
by Rosamunde Pilcher
read by George Holmes
1 cassette
Caroline Cliburn is supposed to be married in a few days. But first she and her brother Jody are determined to find their vanished brother Angus, who is working in Scotland. They expect to be gone for only a few days, but when a spring snowstorm hits and they have a car accident, they end up at the home of Oliver Cairney, a charming bachelor. 1972.

David Copperfield's "Tales of the Impossible" RC 42506
edited by David Copperfield and Janet Berliner
read by Christopher Walker
3 cassettes
Eighteen original short stories with themes of mystery, magic, or illusion. Includes authors such as Copperfield, Berliner, Ray Bradbury, Joyce Carol Oates, and Eric Lustbader, with short biographies of the writers. 1995.

Probabilities RC 42544
by Michael Stein
read by Christopher Walker
1 cassette
The normal traumas of high school life beset Will Sterling in the aftermath of his father's death. Will's romantic involvements with classmate Sara and his fortyish mother-surrogate, Terri, further complicate matters. "Confused by nearly everything," Will uses math and basketball to cope. For senior high and older readers. 1995.

Voodoo River: An Elvis Cole Novel
RC 42635
by Robert Crais
read by Gregory Gorton
2 cassettes
California private eye Elvis Cole is hired by television star Jodi Taylor to anonymously track down her birth parents in Louisiana. Taylor claims to want access to her family's medical history, but her attitude and the clues Cole turns up point to something more sinister. Strong language, some violence, and some descriptions of sex. 1995.

Drink with the Devil RC 42642
by Jack Higgins
read by Chuck Benson
2 cassettes
In this sequel to *Angel of Death (RC 40062)*, secret agent Sean Dillon races to recover a hijacked treasure that was lost at sea. When the sunken fortune attracts the interests of governments, terrorists, and the Mafia, Dillon finds himself the target of some deadly operatives. Strong language and violence. Bestseller 1996.

Dark Angel RC 42649
by Mary Balogh
read by Yvonne Fair Tessler
2 cassettes
Jennifer Winwood, twenty, and her cousin Samantha Newman, eighteen, arrive in London for the first time on a late April afternoon at the beginning of the social season. Jenny looks forward to spending time with Lord Lionel Kersey, to whom she has been promised for five years. At their first meeting, Lionel officially asks for her hand, and Jenny accepts. But there are forces in London who have plans to prevent their marriage. 1994.

The Golden Spiders RC 42650
by Rex Stout
read by Jim Zeiger
1 cassette
Even though detective Nero Wolfe can command high fees for his services, he takes a case for $4.30. His last two clients were murdered, and he wants to know why. The dogged Wolfe follows a trail of curious clues to the greedy culprit. 1995.

The Last Coyote RC 42652
by Michael Connelly
read by David Hartley-Margolin
3 cassettes
Renegade detective Harry Bosch of *The Concrete Blonde (RC 40103)* reopens the unsolved murder of his prostitute mother. Driven by anger and guilt, Harry confirms that the murder had been covered up by powerful people in the Hollywood hills. In a surprise ending, Harry finds both resolution of the case and personal redemption. Violence, descriptions of sex, and some strong language. 1995.

Books for Children

Books listed in this issue of *Talking Book Topics* were recently sent to cooperating libraries. The complete collection contains books by many authors on fiction and nonfiction subjects, including animals, geography, nature, mystery, sports, and others. Contact your cooperating library to learn more about the wide range of books available in the collection.

Cassette books are labeled with the code RC and play at 15/16 ips. To order books, fill out the order form and send it to your cooperating library.

Cassettes Nonfiction

Science Projects about Weather RC 42153
by Robert Gardner and David Webster
read by Butch Hoover
1 cassette
Twenty-two experiments designed to help you understand weather. The experiments cover topics such as the atmosphere, rain and snow, temperature, air and wind, and weather stations. Many of the projects are suitable for expansion into science fair projects. Contains safety tips and a list of suppliers. For grades 6-9. 1994.

To the Top of the World: Adventures with Arctic Wolves RC 42183
by Jim Brandenburg
read by Jack Fox
1 cassette
The author, who works for *National Geographic*, chronicles the several months he lived with the arctic wolves of Ellesmere Island. Because the wolves had never been exposed to humans and had no reason to fear them, Brandenburg was able to live very close to the animals, learning about their hierarchy, the care of their pups, and their daily habits. For grades 4-7. 1993.

Walt Whitman RC 42184
by Catherine Reef
read by John Polk
1 cassette
A look at the life and poetry of the writer, born in 1819, who saw great changes in America. Tells of Whitman's life on the move as the country was expanding westward. Through examples from Whitman's poetry, Reef shows Whitman's love of nature and of hard-working individualists. She also tells the background of Whitman's most famous works, including *Leaves of Grass (RC 32177)*. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 1995.

Marcus Garvey RC 42446
by Mary Lawler
read by Bob Moore
1 cassette
Discusses the conditions of black people around the world in the early 1900s that led the controversial Garvey to champion the cause of black nationalism. Born in Jamaica, he spoke against injustice and founded the Universal Negro Improvement Association to heighten black pride. Although Garvey fell from power near the end of his life, this book tells how his philosophy continued to influence world history. For grades 5-8. 1988.

Cathedral: The Story of Its Construction RC 42501
by David Macaulay
read by Lynn Schrichte
1 cassette (Reissue)
Details how generations of dedicated churchmen and craftsmen, working for nearly a century, build a great cathedral

in an imaginary town in thirteenth-century France. For grades 5-8. 1973.

Teens with Physical Disabilities: Real-Life Stories of Meeting the Challenges
RC 42509
by Glenn Alan Cheney
read by Lynn Schrichte
1 cassette
Eight teenagers describe the impact their physical disabilities have made on their lives. Three of the youths use wheelchairs because of injuries. Others deal with blindness, deafness, cerebral palsy, muscular dystrophy, and rheumatoid arthritis. For grades 6-9. 1995.

Abigail Adams: Witness to a Revolution
RC 42521
by Natalie S. Bober
read by Mary Kane
2 cassettes
Biography of the first lady, who was an exemplary woman of the eighteenth century. Intelligent and capable, she was also modest and soft, as women were expected to be. The author presents Abigail's thoughts and concerns as expressed in her letters and reveals Abigail's unique character. Bober also tells what daily life was like for educated women of Revolutionary times. For grades 5-8. 1995.

The Bible Storybook: Ten Tales from the Old and New Testaments RC 42534
retold by Georgie Adams
read by Lynn Schrichte
1 cassette
Six stories from the Old Testament and four from the New Testament adapted by Adams to be shared orally, with tone and details adjusted to make the stories easy to read. For grades K-3. 1994.

Gung Hay Fat Choy: Happy New Year
RC 42638
by June Behrens
read by Pam Ward
1 cassette
Gung Hay Fat Choy is the Chinese New Year, a festival that may last for many days with family reunions, ceremonies honoring ancestors, and rituals thanking the gods for their blessings. It is also a grand birthday party, for the Chinese add a year to their age on Gung Hay Fat Choy, no matter the day of their birth. This book explains the Chinese New Year and describes its celebration by Chinese Americans. For grades K-3 and older readers. 1982.

Smart Money: The Story of Bill Gates
RC 42644
by Aaron Boyd
read by Jamie Horton
1 cassette
The author relates how Gates's reputation for being a difficult person did not hamper his quick rise to the top of the computer industry. Gates was introduced to his first computer in high school about the same time he announced that he would be a millionaire by the age of thirty. Using his knowledge of computer software and his business savvy to form Microsoft, Gates instead became a multibillionaire. For grades 6-9. 1995.

Brides, Midwives, and Widows
RC 42646
by Judith Bentley
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
1 cassette
Describes in their own words the lives of the women who traveled west to become hardworking wives, mothers, teachers, midwives, and neighbors. Also provides firsthand accounts of the let-

ters men sent east to encourage spouses or future brides to join them. For grades 6-9. 1995.

Unraveling Fibers RC 42653
by Patricia A. Keeler and Francis X. McCall
read by Bob Askey
1 cassette
Describes how different kinds of fibers or thin threads are taken from nature or created by humans to make cloth. Natural fibers include cotton, flax, and jute from plants; angora from rabbits; cashmere and mohair from goats; silk from worms; and fleece from sheep, llamas, and alpacas. Synthetic fibers include rayon and polyester. For grades 3-6. 1995.

I Had a Lot of Wishes RC 42663
by James Stevenson
read by Bob Askey
1 cassette
When I was young, I had lots of wishes. I wished for something to happen, I wished for something not to happen, or I wished I could get something I didn't have—or at least borrow it. Some wishes were big, and some were small. Then one summer, I wished I could go to camp, and I finally got my wish! But when I got to camp, I had another wish. For grades K-3. 1995.

Explorers, Trappers, and Guides RC 42664
by Judith Bentley
read by Chuck Benson
1 cassette
Provides first-person accounts of life on the western frontier as people from all over the globe settled in the Far West territory of the United States. Includes stories by men who accompanied explorers such as Lewis and Clark, Estevanico, Coronado, Captain Cook, and John C. Fremont. For grades 6-9. 1995.

Cowboys: Roundup on an American Ranch RC 42672
by Joan Anderson
read by Bob Askey
1 cassette
Leedro Eby, thirteen, and his brother, Colter, eleven, live and work on a ranch in New Mexico that has been in their family for 150 years. Now it is roundup time and they are helping their parents and the other cowboys search for the cattle. For grades 3-6. 1996.

The Invisible Thread RC 42673
by Yoshiko Uchida
read by Yvonne Fair Tessler
1 cassette
Uchida describes how her ordinary lifestyle as a Japanese American growing up in California came to an abrupt end when she and her family were imprisoned after Japan bombed Pearl Harbor. Following her release from the relocation camp in Topaz, Utah, Uchida became a teacher and wrote books about Japanese American children, including *The Happiest Ending (RC 25223)*. For grades 6-9. 1991.

Cassettes Fiction

Indian Captive: The Story of Mary Jemison RC 42017
by Lois Lenski
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes (Reissue)
In 1758, a white child was captured by Indians and taken to a Seneca village in what is now New York. This story describes her early years in captivity and details the Seneca way of life in the

eighteenth century. For grades 5-8. 1941.

Mennyms in the Wilderness RC 42035
by Sylvia Waugh
read by Pam Ward
2 cassettes
In this sequel to *The Mennyms (RC 39102)*, the Mennym rag doll family members are happily living in their house on Brocklehurst Grove as they have for over forty years. Then they receive a letter from an actual human, who claims to be related to the long-dead Kate who made them. He has been warned by Kate's ghost that the Mennym's house is in danger of being torn down. Although he has trouble believing in the dolls, he is coming to help. For grades 4-7. 1994.

Bound for Oregon RC 42170
by Jean Van Leeuwen
read by Jill Fox
1 cassette
Fictionalized account of young Mary Ellen Todd, whose father decides to move the family from Arkansas to Oregon in 1852. The Todds travel to Missouri where they join a wagon train. On their six-month trip, family members get sick with cholera and are attacked by Indians, and Mary Ellen's stepmother gives birth to a baby boy. For grades 3-6. 1994.

The Ballad of the Pirate Queens RC 42175
by Jane Yolen
read by Madelyn Buzzard
1 cassette
A ballad based on the true story of two female pirates, Anne Bonney and Mary Reade. When the governor's men attack Captain Calico Jack Rackham's pirate sloop, *Vanity*, the ten male pirates refuse to come on deck to help Anne and Mary fight. They are all arrested, but the two women have the last laugh. For grades 3-5. 1995.

The Borrowers Afield RC 42266
by Mary Norton
read by Kerry Cundiff
1 cassette (Reissue)
After the tiny family of Borrowers were discovered living beneath the floorboards of an old country house in *The Borrowers (RC 7809)*, they ventured into the great outdoors. These are their adventures as told decades later to young Kate by old Tom Goodenough, who as a boy actually met the miniature people and heard their tales from Borrower Arrietty. For grades 3-6. 1955.

Dumbstruck RC 42269
by Sara Pennypacker
read by Madelyn Buzzard
1 cassette
On a weird and completely dark night at the beginning of summer, Ivy's kind but eccentric parents vanish. Ivy is shipped off to the Wretched Dear Darlings' Blessed Haven Orphanage run by the disgusting Armilda and Borage Clott but quickly escapes. Yodeling Aunt Zilpa and her three-hundred-pound ostrich lead the rescue of Ivy's now dumbstruck parents, and a zany escapade ensues. For grades 3-6. 1994.

Lost Summer RC 42270
by Elizabeth Feuer
read by Jill Fox
1 cassette
Twelve-year-old Lydia's parents have just divorced. Lydia's mother is going to study in Italy this summer to get a promotion, so Lydia and her older sister, Gina, are spending the summer at camp. Gina is teaching arts and crafts to pay for their stay. Lydia's new friend en-

courages Lydia to invite her father for visiting day. When he doesn't respond, Lydia's behavior begins to change. For grades 5-8. 1995.

The Richest Kids in Town RC 42286
by Peg Kehret
read by Gary Tipton
1 cassette
Newcomer Peter Dodge and his new classmate Wishbone Wyoming have lots of great ideas to make money. First, they start the Scruffy-Einstein Pet Sitting Service; unfortunately, they end up needing a locksmith and losing money. Then, the rubber duck race is a sure winner, until the numbers on the ducks wash off; another loss of money. After several clever ideas flop, the boys discover something to make it all worthwhile. For grades 4-7. 1994.

There's a Bat in Bunk Five RC 42287
by Paula Danziger
read by Janis Gray
1 cassette
As a junior counselor at summer camp, Marcy is assigned to Bunk Five, the one with a bat and the nastiest problem-child in the whole camp. Marcy also falls in love for the first time, to the delight of giggling campers, who respect no one's privacy. Sequel to *The Cat Ate My Gymsuit (RC 34745)*. For grades 6-9. 1980.

Spying on Miss Müller RC 42288
by Eve Bunting
read by Jill Fox
1 cassette
Jessie Drumm, thirteen, and her friends at Alveara school in World War II Belfast are concerned about their dormitory supervisor and German teacher, Miss Müller. She has been seen going to the bell tower late at night, and after one such visit, bombs were dropped on Belfast. Could the kindly Miss Müller be a spy? For grades 5-8. 1995.

Robin Hood and His Merry Men RC 42339
retold by Jane Louise Curry
read by John Polk
1 cassette
Seven tales about Robin Hood, who took from the rich and gave to the poor. The first story explains how Robin Hood was forced to become an outlaw. Others tell about his first meeting with Little John and about the night Robin Hood and his men entertained the sheriff of Nottingham. For grades 2-4. 1994.

Anastasia, Absolutely RC 42340
by Lois Lowry
read by Kerry Cundiff
1 cassette
Anastasia Krupnik finally has the dog she has wanted for so long. Of course that means taking the dog out. On their first morning walk, Anastasia makes a big mistake when she stops at the corner mailbox and accidentally puts the bag of doggie poop in the box instead of her mother's mail. Should she admit to her mistake? The class in values she is taking helps her make the right decision, and she gets a big surprise as a result. For grades 4-7. 1995.

The Van Gogh Cafe RC 42344
by Cynthia Rylant
read by Jill Fox
1 cassette
The Van Gogh Cafe in Flowers, Kansas, is in a building that used to be a theater. Everyone knows that a theater is a magical location, and now the Van Gogh Cafe seems to be full of its own magic. The cafe is owned by Marc and his ten-year-old daughter, Clara, who

believes the Van Gogh Cafe is an enchanted, wonderful place. For grades 3-6. 1995.

Almost a Hero RC 42345
by John Neufeld
read by John Polk
1 cassette
Ben Derby, twelve, is looking forward to spring break. Then Mr. Walston gives the world history class an assignment: spend spring break working as a volunteer at a place that helps people. Because he likes children, Ben selects Sidewalk's End, a day-care center for homeless children. Ben quickly becomes involved in the lives of the children—maybe too involved—as he learns that he can't solve all problems. Some strong language. For grades 4-7. 1995.

Shaker Boy RC 42408
by Mary Lyn Ray
read by Catherine Byers
1 cassette
Caleb is not sure he likes living with the huge "family" in the Shaker village where his mother brought him after his father died in the Civil War. He is sure that he loves the many songs of work and celebration and that the songs help him hear the angels. He grows up working hard, learning to make brooms, to sugar the maples, to knit, and eventually to tend the orchard and the Tree of Songs. For grades K-3. 1994.

The Pirate Uncle RC 42432
by Margaret Mahy
read by Erik Sandvold
1 cassette
Nine-year-old Nick is reading a book about a boy whose uncle is a pirate when his parents astonish him. They want to send Nick and his sister, Caroline, to visit with their mysterious Uncle Ludovic. And their mother calls the uncle a pirate! The bushy-bearded Ludovic confesses to being half uncle and half pirate, but asks the children to help reform him. Meanwhile, adventure abounds. For grades 3-6. 1977.

Home Lovely RC 42454
by Lynne Rae Perkins
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
After Tiffany and her mother move to an isolated trailer, Tiffany finds some seedlings sprouting around their garbage can. Hoping they will grow into flowers or trees, she transplants them to the front yard and watches them flourish. For grades K-3. 1995.

Three Terrible Trins RC 42461
by Dick King-Smith
read by Vanessa Maroney
1 cassette
On the morning of her first birthday, Mrs. Gray, a mouse, finds her third husband has been killed and eaten. She vows never to marry again but to devote her life to her fatherless "trins"—Thomas, Richard, and Henry. The trins, along with other mice at Orchard Farm, have a great time scaring the cats, Wallace and Bertha, out of the house. They even form a soccer team and use the farmer's glass eye for their ball. For grades 2-4. 1994.

New Hope RC 42475
by Henri Sorensen
read by Steven Carpenter
1 cassette
Jimmy loves to visit his grandpa in New Hope because they always visit the old-fashioned ice cream store, and Jimmy gets to hear the story about the statue in the park. The statue is of Lars

Jensen, who came to America in 1885. Lars and his family traveled west until an axle broke on their wagon just as they were about to cross a river. So they stayed by the river, and soon other families joined them to found the town of New Hope. For grades K-3. 1995.

The Sleeping Porch RC 42476
by Karen Ackerman
read by Steven Carpenter
1 cassette
Jonathan is the oldest of five children and lives in a crowded apartment. When his parents buy an old house, the whole family is excited. But during the first big summer storm, the roof leaks in every room. That's when the family discovers the wonder of having a sleeping porch. For grades K-3. 1995.

The River at Green Knowe RC 42486
by L.M. Boston
read by Tom Martin
1 cassette (Reissue)
English scientist Maud Biggin and her friend Sybilla Bun have rented a house called Green Knowe for the summer. Maud plans to work on her book, but because the house is so large, she invites two displaced children and her great-niece, Ida, to join them. The three children are left alone to have wonderful adventures on the nearby river, where they meet a hermit, a giant, and a group of winged horses. For grades 4-6. 1959.

The Toll-Bridge Troll RC 42497
by Patricia Rae Wolff
read by Steven Carpenter
1 cassette
Luckily for Trigg, the troll who lives under the bridge is not very smart. As Trigg crosses the bridge on his way to school, the troll demands to be paid, and Trigg outsmarts him with riddles. After three days, though, Trigg is afraid his luck will not last. For grades K-3. 1995.

Country Angel Christmas RC 42503
by Tomie dePaola
read by Steven Carpenter
1 cassette
St. Nicholas goes to heaven to tell the Country Angels they are in charge of the Christmas celebration for all of the other angels this year. Wanting to make their party as spectacular as those put on by the Archangels and the Heavenly Choir, the Country Angels are too busy to find something for the three littlest angels to do. For preschool-grade 2. 1995.

Earthquake Terror RC 42507
by Peg Kehret
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
Twelve-year-old Jonathan and his sister Abby, six, are camping with their parents on a small island in Northern California when their mother breaks an ankle. Abby, who uses a walker, and Jonathan stay behind when their parents rush to the hospital. But before the children can return to the camper, an earthquake hits. For grades 4-7. 1996.

Quake! RC 42530
by Joe Cottonwood
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
Franny's parents are attending a 1989 World Series game while she is at home with her bratty younger brother and her best friend. When the ground starts shaking their Loma Prieta home, the children are plunged into a crisis that demands all of their skills and courage. For grades 5-8. 1995.

A Fortunate Name: The Cousins Quartet, Book 2 RC 42547
by Margaret Mahy
read by Bob Askey
1 cassette
When Lolly Bancroft's parents have a fight and separate, Lolly's mother declares that she is going back to being a Fortune. Does this mean that Lolly's Fortune cousins, who have always made fun of Lolly's wealthy family, will now accept her in their Good Fortunes Gang? Sequel to *The Good Fortunes Gang (RC 38377)*. For grades 3-6. 1993.

A Fortune Branches Out: The Cousins Quartet, Book 3 RC 42548
by Margaret Mahy
read by Bob Askey
1 cassette
Tessa Fortune wants to be a rich corporate executive with a cellular phone. To improve her money-making skills, Tessa and her cousins set up a booth to raise money for the New Zealand National Telethon. When that doesn't work out, Tessa decides to hold a tree-athon: people will donate money if she stays in a tree for twenty-four hours. Sequel to *A Fortunate Name (RC 42547)*. For grades 3-6. 1994.

Really No Big Deal RC 42554
by Margaret Bechard
read by Brian Conn
1 cassette
Seventh-grader Jonah Truman is mortified when he learns his mother is dating Mr. Decker, the principal of his middle school. But that's not Jonah's only problem: he needs to get his own love life off the ground. He has a crush on Katherine Chang but can't bring himself to talk to her. The only girl he can talk with is his longtime friend Amanda, who is much too tall for him. And even Amanda has been hard to figure out recently. For grades 4-7. 1994.

The Wee Little Woman RC 42640
by Byron Barton
read by Pam Ward
1 cassette
A wee little woman has a wee little house, a wee little cow, and a wee little cat. They are all happy until the day things go wrong. For preschool-grade 2. 1995.

Night Thunder and the Queen of the Wild Horses RC 42645
by Lynn Reiser
read by Pam Ward
1 cassette
Before she goes to bed, a little girl draws a picture of the queen of the wild horses. Later, loud noises wake both the little girl and her drawing. The girl climbs on the back of the winged queen of the wild horses, and they fly off to investigate the sounds. For preschool-grade 2. 1995.

Grandfather's Christmas Camp RC 42654
by Marc McCutcheon
read by Pam Ward
1 cassette
It is Christmas Eve, but Lizzie and Grandfather can't get ready for the holiday until they find Mr. Biggins—grandfather's three-legged dog who often wanders off to hunt deer. All bundled up, they set off up the mountain, carrying Grandfather's backpack along. Lizzie gets tired on the long trip, and they decide to spend the night in the woods. In the morning, there is a surprise waiting for Lizzie. For grades K-3. 1995.

Do Pirates Take Baths? RC 42655
by Kathy Tucker
read by Bob Askey
1 cassette
What do pirates do? What do they wear? What do they eat? How do you get to be a pirate? The answers to these and other questions about pirates are told in funny verse. For grades K-3. 1994.

Moon of Two Dark Horses RC 42657
by Sally M. Keehn
read by Erik Sandvold
1 cassette
When the Revolutionary War breaks out, both the Iroquois League of Indians and the Delaware Indians try to remain neutral. But soon the British and Americans are pressuring them to take sides. Caught up in this struggle are Daniel, an American, and Coshmoo, a Delaware, who have been best friends for many years. For grades 6-9. 1995.

Bed Bouncers RC 42671
by Kimberley Knutson
read by Pam Ward
1 cassette
At night when it's quiet and no one's around, bed bouncers jounce above everyone's head. Sometimes they jump so high, they fade right through the ceiling. With other bed bouncers from all over Earth, they head for the heavens to tickle the stars and swing on the moon. For preschool-grade 2. 1995.

Alejandro's Gift RC 42679
by Richard E. Albert
read by Bob Askey
1 cassette
Alejandro lives in the desert in an adobe house with only his burro for company. He is very lonely until his garden begins attracting small desert animals. As Alejandro watches them drink, he devises a plan to provide water for the bigger animals too. For grades K-3. 1994.

Foreign Language Books

The following cassette titles are available in the languages designated.

Spanish

El Caso de la Camarera Preocupada RC 40874
por Erle Stanley Gardner
leído por Juan Ramirez
1 cassette
Almorzando con su secretaria, Perry Mason conoce a una camarera que está preocupada con mucho más que el menú. Novela policíaca que presenta al famoso detective Perry Mason. (While lunching with his secretary, Perry Mason is approached stealthily by a waitress with more on her mind than the menu. A Perry Mason detective novel.) 1988.

El Aguila y la Serpiente RC 40875
por Martín Luis Guzmán
leído por Juan Ramirez
3 cassettes
Esta novela describe el idealismo, la brutalidad y el dramatismo de la Revolución Mexicana de 1917. El autor era mexicano que tomó parte en la Revolución y conoció a muchos de sus líderes. Guzmán narra una serie de incidentes autobiográficos que configuran la odisea de un revolucionario y pintan un re-

trato de México sufriendo los horrores de una lucha violenta. (The idealism, brutality, and drama of the Mexican Revolution of 1917 are described in this narrative by the Mexican author who took part in the revolution and who knew many of its leaders. Guzman narrates a loose series of autobiographical incidents that chronicle the odyssey of a revolutionary and portray a country suffering the horrors of a violent struggle.) 1991.

El Caso de la Heredera Solitaria
RC 40876
por Erle Stanley Gardner
leído por Juan Ramirez
2 cassettes
Este caso comienza al aparecer un anuncio en el periódico. Novela policíaca que presenta al famoso detective Perry Mason. (Complications ensue from an ad placed in a newspaper. A Perry Mason detective novel.) 1988.

Un Grito en la Noche RC 40877
por Mary Higgins Clark
leído por Maria Pino
3 cassettes
Jenny MacPartland, divorciada madre de dos niñas, conoce y se casa con Erich Krueger, un artista rico y apuesto, que les lleva a vivir en su mansión familiar de Minnesota. Pero pronto Erich se vuelve malhumorado e irritable, y Jenny descubre que su nuevo esposo está obsesionado con los recuerdos de su difunta madre, Caroline. (Jenny MacPartland, the struggling divorced mother of two small girls, meets and marries handsome, wealthy artist Erich Krueger, who takes her and her children away to his family mansion in Minnesota. Erich becomes brooding and rageful, and Jenny discovers that he is obsessed with the memory of his dead mother, Caroline.) 1981.

El Hombre de San Petersburgo
RC 40878
por Ken Follett
leído por Juan Ramirez
3 cassettes
Una historia de amor y suspenso en vísperas de la Primera Guerra Mundial. Lydia, una elegante aristócrata rusa casada con un noble inglés, guarda el secreto de que su hija de dieciocho años es hija de su antiguo amante Félix, un anarquista ruso. Cuando Félix llega a Londres para asesinar a un príncipe ruso, trata de enrolar primero la ayuda de Lydia y después la de su hija. Lenguaje injurioso y algunas descripciones de índole sexual. (A pre-World War I suspense romance. Lydia, an elegant Russian noblewoman now married to an English aristocrat, harbors the secret that her eighteen-year-old daughter is the child of her former lover Felix, a Russian anarchist. When Felix arrives in London to assassinate a Russian prince, he tries to enlist help first from Lydia and then from his daughter. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex.) 1982.

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In Brief

Magazine Changes Begin in January

The National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped (NLS) reminds patrons that many new magazine titles will be added to the program beginning in January 1998. The complete list appears in the Magazines section of this issue and includes information about the number of issues and format of each title.

Catalog Survey Coming Soon

Patrons will soon be able to select and order NLS catalogs and bibliographies that will be issued in 1997 and 1998. A large-print order form will be mailed early this fall to patrons who subscribe to *TBT*. The form will give patrons the opportunity to order upcoming publications, such as *Adventure Stories, Cassette Books 1997,* and *For Younger Readers 1996–1997*. Catalogs and bibliographies ordered will be sent directly to patrons when the publications are produced.

Scourby Awards Announced

The American Foundation for the Blind (AFB) presented its eleventh Alexander Scourby Narrator of the Year Awards to honor excellence in talking-book narration. AFB awarded prizes to narrators for three categories: fiction, nonfiction, and multilingual nonfiction.

The award-winning narrators are Mary Woods, Talking Book Publishers, Inc., for fiction; Jack Fox, American

Printing House for the Blind, for nonfiction; and Ed Blake, AFB, for multilingual nonfiction. The annual Scourby Award was established in 1986 in memory of the popular talking-book narrator who died in 1985.

Newsstand

The following announcement may be of interest to readers. The National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped reserves the right to publish announcements selectively, as space permits. Items mentioned, however, are not part of the NLS program, and their listing does not imply endorsement.

Shopping Catalogs. Home Readers offers a variety of popular mail order catalogs on 4-track cassette. The catalogs list products from companies that sell clothing, gifts, music, food, collectibles, cosmetics, pet supplies, and health-related items. The tapes feature descriptions of patterns, styles, and colors that are pictured in the print editions. Prices for the catalogs range from $2 to $4. For more information contact Home Readers, 604 W. Hulett, Edgerton, KS 66021; telephone (913) 893-6939; e-mail Homeread@Qni.com.

Books for Adults

Books listed in this issue of *Talking Book Topics* were recently sent to cooperating libraries. The complete collection contains books by many authors on fiction and nonfiction subjects, including biographies, classics, gothics, mysteries, romances, and others. Contact your cooperating library to learn more about the wide range of books available in the collection.

Cassette books are labeled with the code RC and play at 15/16 ips. To order books, fill out the order form and send it to your cooperating library.

Note: For the information of the reader, a notice may appear immediately following the book description to indicate occurrences of strong language, explicit descriptions of sex, or violence. The word "some" before any of these terms indicates an occasional or infrequent occurrence, as in "some strong language."

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Arthur Fiedler: Papa, the Pops, and Me RC 39936
by Johanna Fiedler
read by Annie Wauters
2 cassettes
Eldest daughter of the long-term conductor of the Boston Pops Orchestra describes life in the Fiedler household. Into the story Johanna weaves family history, including strained relationships, drinking problems, and the glamour and shortcomings of having a celebrity in the family. She also covers private details about her father, such as his chagrin over the lack of respect given him. 1994.

Pet Sitting for Profit: A Complete Manual for Professional Success RC 40914
by Patti J. Moran
read by Carol Dines
1 cassette
The author, who started her pet-sitting business in 1983, is now a national spokesperson for this service industry. She provides information on setting up an office, advertising, selecting and training employees, and avoiding possible problems. 1991.

Splashes of Joy in the Cesspools of Life RC 40940
by Barbara Johnson
read by Kimberly Schraf
2 cassettes
Humorist and inspirational speaker tells of the tragedies in her life and the role humor and religion played in overcoming them. She advises readers to smile because it kills time between disasters and reminds them that pessimists may be proven right in the long run, but optimists have a better time on the trip. Other topics include dieting, aging, and raising children. 1992.

The Artist's Way: A Spiritual Path to Higher Creativity RC 41149
by Julia Cameron
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Screenwriter Cameron, who teaches workshops on freeing creativity, outlines twelve weeks of exercises and tasks to free us from our own internalized perfectionist, or censor. Cameron's primary tool for creative recovery is to fill three pages each morning with stream-of-consciousness writing in which nothing is too petty, silly, stupid, or weird to include. Bestseller 1992.

The Oxford Companion to the English Language RC 41212
edited by Tom McArthur
read by various narrators
25 cassettes
The *English Today* journal editor incorporates the contributions of some ninety-five experts into a dictionary-like compendium. Each section begins with a description and history of a letter of the alphabet. Other entries include the names of people, places, and events and terms pertaining to the language. Cross references direct readers to related items. 1992.

Eamon De Valera: The Man Who Was Ireland RC 41269
by Tim Pat Coogan
read by Michael Consoli
7 cassettes
A prominent Irish author offers a detailed account of the man who shaped the country from the 1920s through the 1960s. Proposing to show De Valera as neither a "demon" nor a "saint," Coogan tells how the governor maintained his power—for good and ill—using the Catholic Church, Irish Americans, and his own political genius. 1993.

Richard Wright: Later Works RC 41553
by Richard Wright
read by L.J. Ganser
6 cassettes
Presents Wright's complete autobiography for the first time, combining his childhood in the South (*Black Boy*) with his life as an adult in the North (*American Hunger*). Also contains his 1953 novel (*The Outsider*), a literary chronology, and extensive notes. Sequel to *Richard Wright: Early Works (RC 41552*). Violence, some strong language, and some descriptions of sex. 1991.

Diary of a Survivor: Nineteen Years in a Cuban Women's Prison RC 41777
by Ana Rodríguez and Glenn Garvin
read by Gabriella Cavallero
3 cassettes
The author recounts her continued fight, at all costs, against injustice in her native Cuba, from opposing Batista to opposing Castro. In prison, she protested the inhumane treatment she and other women received, and eventually won improved conditions and her release. Strong language and violence. 1995.

Essential Exercises for the Childbearing Year: A Guide to Health and Comfort before and after Your Baby Is Born RC 41887
by Elizabeth Noble
read by Jill Fox
2 cassettes
Physical therapist Noble stresses the importance of exercise both in preparing for childbirth and in helping postpartum recovery. Provides exercises for muscles of the pelvic floor and the abdomen and gives advice on breathing, posture, positions, and relaxation. 1995.

The Consumer Bible: 1001 Ways to Shop Smart RC 42036
by Mark Green
read by Dave Jackson
6 cassettes
Former New York City consumer affairs commissioner believes that being a smart consumer in today's economy can be a "daunting challenge." He provides tips on shopping intelligently for food, clothing, housing, child care, insurance, financial advice, health products, diet aids, cars, telephones, travel, and much more. 1995.

Benjamin Britten: A Biography
RC 42089
by Humphrey Carpenter
read by Peter Gil
5 cassettes
Twentieth-century British composer whose name dominated the music world for decades. Using lay language, Carpenter examines what influenced such familiar works as *The Young Person's Guide to the Orchestra* and *Peter Grimes*. In addition to outlining Britten's creative growth, the author focuses on his complex personal relationships, including a homosexual "marriage" to Peter Pears. 1992.

The Spirit of St. Louis RC 42159
by Charles A. Lindbergh
read by Bruce Huntey
4 cassettes (Reissue)
Personal account of the famous first solo nonstop flight to Paris. The saga begins in 1926 when Lindbergh was a pilot on the St. Louis–Chicago mail route, traces his struggle to get financial backers and to acquire the plane of his dreams, and details the historic nearly thirty-four-hour flight in the *Spirit of St. Louis*. 1953.

Closest Companion: The Unknown Story of the Intimate Friendship between Franklin Roosevelt and Margaret Suckley
RC 42168
edited by Geoffrey C. Ward
read by Janis Gray
4 cassettes
Margaret Suckley was a sixth cousin to Franklin D. Roosevelt and ten years his junior. When she died at ninety-nine in 1991, Suckley left diaries and correspondence describing their close relationship. This volume contains Suckley's letters to Roosevelt, his to her, and excerpts from her papers from 1933–1945. 1995.

A Prophet with Honor: The Billy Graham Story RC 42182
by William Martin
read by Lou Harpenau
6 cassettes
In this authorized biography, Martin first takes a brief look at 350 years of evangelism and then shows how far Graham's influences have reached in his various crusades. Graham is portrayed as a man who is more interested in theology than in administrative duties and as a man who has been a presence in the lives of presidents and political leaders around the world. 1991.

The Bible according to Mark Twain: Writings on Heaven, Eden, and the Flood
RC 42188
edited by Howard G. Baetzhold and Joseph B. McCullough
read by David Palmer
4 cassettes
Collected works written by Twain between 1871 and 1910 that express his views on human nature, God, and religion. Replete with the wit, insight, and humor that characterize Twain's opus, these writings range from a portrayal of God as an absentminded scientist to advice on how to dress and tip properly in Heaven. Includes appendixes and editors' prefaces. 1995.

The Five Books of Moses: Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, Deuteronomy; the Schocken Bible, Volume 1 RC 42213
translated by Everett Fox
read by Gordon Gould
8 cassettes
In this first volume of a new translation, Fox uses as his base the German trans-

lation done by Martin Buber and Franz Rosenzweig between 1925 and 1962. Guided by the principle that the Hebrew Bible was meant to be read aloud, Fox renders a poetic version with careful attention to rhythm and sound. Includes commentaries and notes. 1995.

Pack Up Your Gloomees in a Great Big Box, Then Sit on the Lid and Laugh RC 42215

by Barbara Johnson
read by Dani Carr
2 cassettes

The author of *Splashes of Joy in the Cesspools of Life (RC 40940)* offers more insights into using belief in God and humor to cope with the difficult times. Questions raised by her readers, often parents, are thoughtfully answered with wisdom and a deep Christian faith strengthened by her own experiences with pain. 1993.

Autopsy on an Empire: The American Ambassador's Account of the Collapse of the Soviet Union RC 42226

by Jack F. Matlock
read by Ken Kliban
6 cassettes

A detailed, personal narrative by the diplomat who worked most of his life in the USSR and was ambassador from 1987 to 1991. Matlock also offers analysis and interpretation based on his own insights and on subsequent happenings. An epilogue outlines the status of post-Soviet Union independent states. 1995.

Our Times: America at the Birth of the Twentieth Century RC 42243

by Mark Sullivan
read by Robert Blumenfeld
5 cassettes

An abridgment of reporter Sullivan's history of America from 1900 to 1925, first published in six volumes from 1926 to 1933. The author draws from his memories and from many fields of writing to present a general overview and specific details of the period. Includes World War I, the administration of Theodore Roosevelt, and changes in the 1920s. Edited with material by television journalist Dan Rather. 1996.

Breaking Free: A Memoir of Love and Revolution RC 42250

by Susan Eisenhower
read by Gerry Kasarda
2 cassettes

Susan Eisenhower, granddaughter of President Eisenhower and public affairs manager for the Eisenhower World Affairs Institute, tells of meeting Roald Sagdeev, the Soviet Union's top space scientist, at a conference in 1987. As Eisenhower describes the blossoming of their relationship, she portrays the improved attitudes between the United States and the dissolving Soviet Union that made the marriage possible. 1995.

The Knight in History RC 42254

by Frances Gies
read by Gerry Kasarda
2 cassettes

A history of knighthood from its beginnings in the ninth and tenth centuries, to the flowering of the institution in the eleventh through thirteenth centuries, and up to its waning in the fourteenth century. With historical knights as examples, the author looks at knighthood from social, military, and economic viewpoints and discusses the knightly orders, the chivalric tradition, and the role of knights in battle and in the Crusades. 1984.

Millennium: A History of the Last Thousand Years RC 42255
by Felipe Fernández-Armesto
read by Terence Aselford
5 cassettes
A history of the last ten centuries from a global, non-Eurocentric perspective. The Oxford historian describes the civilizations and empires that have existed since the year 1000, ranging from Ming Dynasty China to twentieth-century America. The author also illustrates the character of each civilization through historical anecdotes and discusses the continually shifting ascendancy of East and West. 1995.

The Mexican Shock: Its Meaning for the United States RC 42257
by Jorge G. Castañeda
read by Ilona Dulaski
2 cassettes
The author, columnist, and professor of political science at the National Autonomous University of Mexico brings together essays written at different times to explain how U.S. policies affect Mexico. He argues that his country is less democratic and prosperous than is thought and addresses migration, the North American Free Trade Agreement, and the 1994 Zapatista revolt. Some violence. 1995.

Pope John Paul II: The Biography RC 42260
by Tad Szulc
read by Margaret Strom
4 cassettes
Szulc believes that to understand the pope, one must understand his Polishness—the "essential trait of his personality." The first half of the book covers Karol Wojtyla's life up to his election as pope. Szulc sees him as a man of great intellect but also as a man of contradictions. The author covers the pope's conservative stand on subjects such as birth control and celibacy as well as his more liberal stand on human rights and social justice. 1995.

Shostakovich: A Life Remembered RC 42263
by Elizabeth Wilson
read by Faith Potts
5 cassettes
A documentary biography of the great twentieth-century Russian composer. Presents reminiscences of some seventy contemporaries arranged chronologically and supplemented with research. Focuses on the social and political circumstances behind the creation and performance of Shostakovich's works. Recounts the Stalinist purges of 1936 and 1948, when artists were censured and arrested. 1994.

The Quark and the Jaguar: Adventures in the Simple and the Complex RC 42284
by Murray Gell-Mann
read by Butch Hoover
3 cassettes
Winner of the 1969 Nobel Prize in physics and founder of the Santa Fe Institute, where scientists study adaptive systems, Gell-Mann sets forth his views on the behavior and makeup of the natural world and advocates changes that would improve and sustain the environment. He addresses quantum mechanics, biological selection, adaptive systems, and creative thinking. 1994.

Emerson: The Mind on Fire RC 42285
by Robert D. Richardson
read by James DeLotel
5 cassettes
Traces the life and intellectual odyssey of Ralph Waldo Emerson, the nine-

teenth-century writer, poet, and essayist. Discusses Emerson's development of the principles of individualism, self-reliance, and transcendentalism that have influenced American letters and intellectual thought. Richardson chronicles Emerson's life as student, minister, traveler, speaker, social activist, good friend, and loyal family man. 1995.

How Many Years RC 42290
by Marguerite Yourcenar
read by Mitzi Friedlander
3 cassettes
This book complements *Dear Departed (RC 35480)*, in which the well-known French author presents her maternal ancestors. Here Yourcenar, who died in 1987, tells of her father's people, beginning with prehistory and ending with detailed pictures of her father and grandfather. She traces genealogy, realizes events, and ponders the human condition. Translated from French by Maria Louise Ascher. Some violence. 1995.

The Neandertal Enigma: Solving the Mystery of Modern Human Origins RC 42292
by James Shreeve
read by Lou Harpenau
3 cassettes
Science writer Shreeve surveys evidence and theories on the origins of modern humankind. Drawing upon his travels to sites where the oldest human remains have been found, his interviews with foremost anthropologists, and a weighing of discoveries, Shreeve points to Neandertals as the central mystery of human evolution. Did our species evolve from, interbreed with, or replace Neandertals? 1995.

The Pushcart Prize XX: Best of the Small Presses RC 42294
edited by Bill Henderson
read by Roy Avers and
Madelyn Buzzard
4 cassettes
Sixty selections of short fiction, essays, and poetry published first by noncommercial presses and magazines. This twentieth-anniversary edition features up-and-coming authors as well as such literary figures as John Updike and Joyce Carol Oates. Selections include a canto from Robert Pinsky's translation of Dante's *Inferno* and Eileen Pollack's "Milk." Descriptions of sex and some strong language. 1995.

Thunder Below! The *USS Barb* Revolutionizes Submarine Warfare in World War II RC 42300
by Eugene B. Fluckey
read by Art Metzler
4 cassettes
The retired rear admiral and winner of the Medal of Honor relates the story of the submarine *USS Barb*, which he commanded in World War II. Drawing from his own memories—as well as from logs, letters, interviews, official reports, and diaries—Fluckey reconstructs the daring missions of the ship and crew that sank more enemy tonnage than any other submarine during the war. 1992.

Baseball: A History of America's Game RC 42304
by Benjamin G. Rader
read by Ray Foushee
2 cassettes
A history of baseball and of baseball's effect on the history of America. Traces the sport from its pre-Civil War roots through the late-1980s "demise of the dynasties." In addition to telling the leg-

ends, the author shows how the growth of baseball reflected urban growth; helped to define cities' identities; and reduced the social strife from racial, religious, and class divisions. Some strong language. 1992.

John C. Calhoun: A Biography RC 42306
by Irving H. Bartlett
read by Butch Hoover
3 cassettes
Bartlett's portrait of Calhoun (1782–1850) dwells mainly on his career as a statesman, showing that he was greatly influenced by his upbringing in the South Carolina wilderness and the limitations of that culture. He covers Calhoun's career as a war hawk in Congress, as secretary of war, as vice president under John Quincy Adams and Andrew Jackson, and as the senator who created the concept of nullification after the Tariff Crisis of 1824. 1993.

Kiplinger's Invest Your Way to Wealth RC 42308
by Theodore J. Miller
read by Ray Foushee
3 cassettes
A how-to guide for building a diversified investment portfolio to fit your financial goals. Presents the "five keys to investment success" and counsels on strategies for short-, medium-, and long-term investors. A comprehensive source for both amateur and experienced investors. 1995.

The Prostate: A Guide for Men and the Women Who Love Them RC 42309
by Patrick C. Walsh and
Janet Farrar Worthington
read by Kerry Cundiff
3 cassettes
Noted urologist Walsh and science writer Worthington describe the pros and cons of treatment options for prostate cancer, including a detailed description of the nerve-sparing radical prostatectomy that Walsh is known for. They also explain benign prostatic hyperplasia (enlargement) and prostatitis (infection) and how they may be treated. Includes glossary. 1995.

UNIX for Dummies RC 42312
by John R. Levine and
Margaret Levine Young
read by Butch Hoover
3 cassettes
A nonspecialist's guide to UNIX, a multiuser, multitasking computer operating system. Tells how to get started, log in, type commands, manage files, and ask for help. Provides extensive indexes to UNIX commands and computer terms. 1995.

Between Friends: The Correspondence of Hannah Arendt and Mary McCarthy 1949–1975 RC 42325
edited by Carol Brightman
read by Jill Ferris
4 cassettes
Collection of letters between two twentieth-century intellectual women, discussing politics, literature, and life. Arendt, who escaped to the United States from Nazi Germany, is the author of books on political science and philosophy. McCarthy is an essayist and novelist, whose works include *The*

Group (RC 10307) and *Cannibals and Missionaries (RC 17815)*. 1995.

Selling God: American Religion in the Marketplace of Culture RC 42347
by R. Laurence Moore
read by John Richardson
3 cassettes
The Cornell history professor argues that by preventing the establishment of a state religion, the First Amendment obliges churches to "sell" themselves commercially. He chronicles this marketing, adducing evangelists' use of TV spectacles, the Chautauqua Association's promotion of the religious vacation, and other examples. Some violence and some strong language. 1994.

The Fields of Home RC 42354
by Ralph Moody
read by Brian Conn
2 cassettes (Reissue)
In 1912, after the death of his father, the author and his family move from Colorado to Massachusetts. Not used to life in town, fourteen-year-old Ralph somehow finds himself catching trouble at every turn and is sent to live on his grandfather's farm in Maine. The old man is stubborn and crotchety, and Ralph cannot wait to leave. But his satisfaction in meeting the needs of the farm and his grandfather helps Ralph find a wonderful life. 1953.

Justice William J. Brennan Jr.: Freedom First RC 42355
by Roger Goldman
read by Art Metzler
3 cassettes
William Brennan had served on the United States Supreme Court for more than thirty years when he retired in 1990. During his tenure, he established himself as a champion of civil rights and liberties. Divided into three sections, this look at Brennan's work by a St. Louis University law professor contains comments on the man himself, discussion of his decisions, and the text of twelve of his most influential cases. 1994.

Albert Speer: His Battle with Truth RC 42357
by Gitta Sereny
read by Mitzi Friedlander
7 cassettes
Biography of Hitler's architect and minister of war production, who, after the Nuremberg trials, spent twenty years in Spandau prison and was released in 1966. Biographer Sereny, who came to know Speer well, delves into the life and psychology of the only one of Hitler's inner circle who repented his role as a Nazi and grappled with his personal responsibility for crimes of the Holocaust. 1995.

Fear of Wine: An Introductory Guide to the Grape RC 42360
by Leslie Brenner
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
Humorous lessons on wine by a food and wine writer. Brenner gives an overview of the wine-making process, tells which grapes yield certain flavors, and explains the information on the bottle. She describes how to taste, smell, and swirl wine and which wines complement particular foods. Gives tips on selecting a bottle for a dinner party and compiling a small domestic or international wine cellar. 1995.

Leader of the Band: The Life of Woody Herman RC 42362
by Gene Lees
read by Randy Atcher
4 cassettes
Renowned author of books on jazz examines the life of jazz great Woody Herman, who died in 1987 at seventy-four. A clarinet-playing bandleader for a fifty-year span that included the big-band era, Herman was well liked by the musicians he directed. Discusses his tours, noted members of his band, his personal life, and the financial problems that plagued his final years. 1995.

The Beauty of the Beastly: New Views on the Nature of Life RC 42365
by Natalie Angier
read by Kerry Cundiff
2 cassettes
Pulitzer Prize-winning science writer for the *New York Times* offers her essays on the beauty of organisms usually considered beastly, and the beastliness behind conventional icons of beauty in the natural world. Admitting she "anthropomorphizes shamelessly," she humorously discusses commonalities that humans share with other species. Topics include loving, adapting, healing, creating, and dying. 1995.

Firebrand: The Life of Horace Liveright RC 42367
by Tom Dardis
read by Roy Avers
2 cassettes
An English professor and author chronicles the life of the innovative, unorthodox 1920s publisher who successfully marketed controversial writers of the time: John Reed, Eugene O'Neill, Upton Sinclair, Theodore Dreiser, Ezra Pound, T.S. Eliot, and others. Liveright's profligate lifestyle and alcoholism, however, cost him his marriage, his business, and his life. 1995.

Priest of Music: The Life of Dimitri Mitropoulos RC 42371
by William R. Trotter
read by James DeLotel
4 cassettes
A biography of the renowned Greek conductor, who worked in the United States for much of his professional life. Trotter shows that Mitropoulos brought an ascetic and self-denying fervor to his work. Though he was gifted musically, Mitropoulos's tenure with the New York Philharmonic was troubled. Trotter suggests adverse criticism and an unhealthful lifestyle led to the artist's death in 1960. 1995.

Young@Heart: Computing for Seniors RC 42378
by Mary Furlong and Stefan B. Lipson
read by David Munro
3 cassettes
A guide to computer technology for older adults. Covers the basics of getting started, selecting equipment and software, integrating applications into one's life, and reaching out online. Presents profiles of successful senior computer users. 1996.

Harm de Blij's Geography Book: A Leading Geographer's Fresh Look at Our Changing World RC 42385
by Harm de Blij
read by Ralph Lowenstein
3 cassettes
The geography editor of the *Good Morning America* show offers a survey of geography basics. De Blij interweaves aspects of maps, weather, nations, and cities to demonstrate their effects on

history, economics, politics, and our daily lives. 1995.

The Diaries of Dawn Powell, 1931–1965 RC 42386

by Dawn Powell
read by Barbara Caruso
4 cassettes

The Ohio-born author of *My Home Is Far Away (RC 42319)* documents her life in New York City. Unlike the brief journals she kept earlier, these are more serious diaries that explore the contemporary New York literary scene and Powell's own curious lack of acclaim. The diaries also reveal her complex and often difficult life. Introduction by *Washington Post* music critic Tim Page, who compiled and edited the diaries. 1995.

Americas: The Changing Face of Latin America and the Caribbean RC 42387

by Peter Winn
read by Ralph Lowenstein
5 cassettes

An introduction to contemporary Latin America and the Caribbean focusing on cultural and political changes since the 1960s. Analyzes the role of women, the influence of the Catholic Church, and political revolutions. Accompanies the public television series of the same title. 1992.

Victims of Memory: Incest Accusations and Shattered Lives RC 42392

by Mark Pendergrast
read by John Stratton
5 cassettes

The author, who has been accused by his own daughters of sexual abuse, looks at the controversial problem of remembered abuse and the effect accusations have on individuals. He presents views by the therapists, the survivors, the accused, and the retractors—those who have since taken back their accusations. He concludes with a letter to his daughters. For senior high and older readers. 1995.

A Testament of Hope: The Essential Writings and Speeches of Martin Luther King Jr. RC 42395

by Martin Luther King Jr.
read by Bob Moore
6 cassettes

Collects documents generally recognized as composed or presented by the 1960s American civil rights leader, who championed nonviolent tactics. Entries are grouped by genre: philosophy, sermons and public addresses, essays, interviews, and books. The table of contents gives the date of each entry. Editor James M. Washington provides a general introduction and notes. 1986.

The Bearded Lion Who Roars: "Simba Mandefu Mabe" RC 42399

by Elise Dallemagne-Cookson
read by Suzanne Toren
2 cassettes

The American wife of a Belgian colonist recounts the first days of independence in Zaire in 1960. She details the gradual change in relationships between the Belgians and their native servants and neighbors, and tells how she and her husband had to flee the vengeful troops of the new regime. 1995.

Race, Gender, and Power in America: The Legacy of the Hill-Thomas Hearings RC 42406

edited by Anita Faye Hill and Emma Coleman Jordan
read by Catherine Byers
3 cassettes

Contributions by lawyers and scholars to a conference one year after the con-

firmation hearings of Supreme Court Justice Clarence Thomas. The essays discuss the impact of the hearings in the context of race and gender issues in the political culture. Editor Hill also contributes an essay about African American women and patronage and marriage. 1995.

Four Centuries of Jewish Women's Spirituality: A Sourcebook RC 42407
edited by Ellen M. Umansky and Dianne Ashton
read by Suzanne Toren
3 cassettes
Collection of spiritual writings reflecting the religious self-identity of Jewish women between 1560 and 1990. The authors include works from the four major movements—Orthodoxy, Conservatism, Reform, and Reconstructionism—and encompass works by North American, European, and Israeli women. Includes sermons, blessings, letters, poetry, and essays. 1992.

Washington Online: How to Access the Government's Electronic Bulletin Boards RC 42416
by Bruce Maxwell
read by Dave Jackson
2 cassettes
A guide to more than two hundred federal government bulletin-board systems (BBSs), covering topics from presidential speeches to federal job openings. Describes contents of the various BBSs and tells how to reach and navigate them using a computer and modem. 1995.

The Search for Justice: A Defense Attorney's Brief on the O.J. Simpson Case RC 42418
by Robert L. Shapiro
read by David Hartley-Margolin
3 cassettes
The architect of the defense strategy speaks to questions of fact, law, and ethics in the 1994–1995 O.J. Simpson murder trial. Shapiro argues that the only possible verdict was the conclusion of "reasonable doubt" reached by the jury. Bestseller 1996.

Where White Men Fear to Tread: The Autobiography of Russell Means RC 42425
by Russell Means
read by Jake Williams
5 cassettes
Means recounts his uncompromising and often perilous life's work as a twentieth-century Native American activist. He describes his transformation from hustler to cultural defender. As leader of the militant American Indian Movement in the 1970s, Means challenged the federal government in Washington, D.C., at Mount Rushmore, and—most dramatically—at Wounded Knee. Violence and some strong language. 1995.

Self-Inflicted Wounds: From LBJ's Guns and Butter to Reagan's Voodoo Economics RC 42435
by Hobart Rowen
read by John Rayburn
4 cassettes
The *Washington Post* economics columnist criticizes policies of administrations from Lyndon Johnson through George Bush. He argues that all blundered, leading to a decline in national self-esteem and to an erosion of the U.S. economy. 1994.

Bury Me Standing: The Gypsies and Their Journey RC 42444
by Isabel Fonseca
read by Ken Kliban
3 cassettes
The former assistant editor at the *Times Literary Supplement* reports on Gypsies in East Central Europe, basing her account on research and on visits between 1991 and 1995. She describes the Gypsies' lifestyle and documents their history, including enslavement from the 1300s into the 1800s, genocide by the Nazis, and racist persecution in post-communist countries. Some violence. 1995.

The Pillars of Hercules: A Grand Tour of the Mediterranean RC 42445
by Paul Theroux
read by Ted Stoddard
4 cassettes
Although the Pillars of Hercules are only fifteen miles apart, it took Theroux approximately eighteen months to travel between them—he took the long way, the old Grand Tour route. Theroux visits places such as Barcelona, Nice, Istanbul, Corsica, Sardinia, Sicily, Albania, Greece, and Morocco by car, boat, train, and foot. 1995.

The Father: A Life of Henry James Sr. RC 42450
by Alfred Habegger
read by Annie Wauters
5 cassettes
Biography of the father of psychologist William James and novelist Henry James Jr., based on letters and the man's many writings. Henry Sr.'s youth—if not his life—was overshadowed by the loss of a leg to gangrene. As an adult, he devoted himself to thinking and writing, seeking in one theory after another the meaning of life, science, and religion. 1994.

History of the Peloponnesian War RC 42452
by Thucydides
read by Gary Telles
4 cassettes
Written in the fifth century B.C. by an Athenian commander, this is a history of the twenty-seven-year conflict between Athens, a democratic state and sea power, and the states of the Peloponnese headed by Sparta, a conservative power with an efficient military force. 1993.

The City of Florence: Historical Vistas and Personal Sightings RC 42457
by R.W.B. Lewis
read by Peter Gil
3 cassettes
The American author of the Pulitzer Prize-winning biography *Edith Wharton (RC 9775)*, who spent about half his life in Florence, provides a historical portrait of the country he has come to love since his first visit to Italy as a child and his initial venture into the Tuscany area during World War II. Includes some of his favorite spots—the Arno, the Duomo, the Ponte Vecchio, and Santa Croce. 1995.

How to Talk So Kids Can Learn—at Home and in School RC 42459
by Adele Faber and Elaine Mazlish
read by Kimberly Schraf
2 cassettes
Known for their works about communicating with children, the authors, at the request of educators, apply their techniques to the classroom. Addressing this book to both parents and instructors, the authors, with two teachers, provide examples of good and bad communica-

tion skills. They urge brainstorming sessions with the child and using descriptive rather than evaluative praise. 1995.

Sydney RC 42469
by Jan Morris
read by Corrie James
2 cassettes
Welsh travel writer Morris explores this brash Australian city through its history and culture. She describes it not as the most beautiful city founded in the British Empire, "but the most hyperbolic, the youngest in heart, the *shiniest*." Sydney boasts its harbor and opera house and holds attitudes influenced by its penal colony beginnings. Some strong language. 1992.

My Soul Looks Back, 'Less I Forget: A Collection of Quotations by People of Color RC 42473
edited by Dorothy Winbush Riley
read by Bob Moore
6 cassettes
More than seven thousand short quotations, mainly from members of the African diaspora, originally compiled to help middle-school students complete their African American History Month projects. The quotations are arranged alphabetically by topic: "ability" through "youth." They are listed chronologically within topics, and each is dated. 1993.

In Confidence: Moscow's Ambassador to America's Six Cold War Presidents (1962–1986) RC 42484
by Anatoly Dobrynin
read by Frank Coffee
6 cassettes
Dobrynin says that as a young engineer he was not happy to learn that he was to become a Soviet Union diplomat, but he went on to serve as ambassador to the United States for a quarter century. He describes his role in the complex period of Soviet-American rivalry during the presidencies of Kennedy, Johnson, Nixon, Ford, Carter, and Reagan. Best-seller 1995.

Clinging to the Wreckage: A Part of Life RC 42488
by John Mortimer
read by John Horton
2 cassettes
The English lawyer, writer, and creator of the *Rumpole of the Bailey* television series reflects on his upbringing as the only child of a divorce lawyer who became blind when his son was thirteen. Mortimer discusses his various careers and reminisces about celebrities he has known. Prequel to *Murderers and Other Friends (RC 42489)*. 1982.

Senator for Sale: An Unauthorized Biography of Senator Bob Dole RC 42491
by Stanley G. Hilton
read by Ralph Lowenstein
3 cassettes
A critical, unflattering portrait of Bob Dole by a former Senate counsel and Dole aide. Recounts the hardships of Dole's childhood, the anguish of his war injury, and his successful political career. Describes Dole as a cynical, vindictive, unprincipled politician who disdains the needy and caters to moneyed special interests. Speculates on what a Dole presidency would look like. 1995.

Robert Graves: Life on the Edge RC 42498
by Miranda Seymour
read by Vanessa Maroney
4 cassettes
Recounts the unorthodox life and career of the twentieth-century British

poet and novelist. Known for an account of his World War I experience in *Goodbye to All That (RC 26218)*, several historical novels, and a book on his theories of poetic inspiration, Graves himself was inspired by a series of young women he called "muses." 1995.

Paul Revere's Ride RC 42502
by David Hackett Fischer
read by Ted Stoddard
4 cassettes
The author debunks some of the myths surrounding Paul Revere's midnight ride. Fischer shows the American Revolution as a series of contingent events, some of which Revere played a role in. Revere did not hold high office or write great papers, but he did belong to several groups that, through individual choice and collective effort, laid plans for the American Revolution. Fischer also discusses the role of British General Gage. 1994.

Pavarotti: My World RC 42508
by Luciano Pavarotti and William Wright
read by Michael Consoli
2 cassettes
A memoir of the opera singer that tells of his family, health, friends, and social life. Describes his love of horses and the jumper show he sponsors, as well as the international vocal competition he founded. 1995.

Bulfinch's Mythology: *The Age of Chivalry* and *Legends of Charlemagne; or, Romance in the Middle Ages* RC 42510
by Thomas Bulfinch
read by Mary Kane
4 cassettes
Retells notable European legends, many based on actual events. Includes tales of King Arthur, Charlemagne, and Robin Hood, and the Welsh Mabinogion stories. 1995.

The Best American Sports Writing, 1995 RC 42512
edited by Dan Jenkins
read by Michael Consoli
2 cassettes
Twenty-eight articles from 1994—a difficult year for sports. Includes pieces about the baseball strike, the attack on skater Nancy Kerrigan, and the arrest of O.J. Simpson. Other aspects of the sporting world, such as golf, tennis, fishing, and horseracing, are also covered. Some strong language. 1995.

When the Air Hits Your Brain: Tales of Neurosurgery RC 42516
by Frank T. Vertosick
read by Christopher Walker
2 cassettes
Pittsburgh neurosurgeon describes cases he has encountered during his training and career and discusses behind-the-scenes attitudes of his colleagues. The title comes from one of the secret rules of neurosurgery: "You ain't never the same when the air hits your brain." Strong language. 1996.

Hot Air: All Talk, All the Time RC 42518
by Howard Kurtz
read by Christopher Walker
3 cassettes
An assessment of the talk show format on radio and television by a *Washington Post* media reporter. Includes portraits of media personalities such as John McLaughlin, Larry King, Geraldo Rivera, Ted Koppel, and Howard Stern. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1996.

Fulbright: A Biography RC 42520
by Randall Bennett Woods
read by Robert Sams
6 cassettes
A portrait of the long-time chair of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, who opposed the U.S. war in Vietnam. Traces his early life in Arkansas, his academic years, and his political career, during which he greatly influenced American foreign policy in the 1960s and 1970s. 1995.

Le Cordon Bleu Classic French Cookbook RC 42522
edited by Julia Alcock
read by Peter Gil
2 cassettes
One hundred classic recipes to celebrate the cooking school's centenary. Includes first courses, such as vichyssoise; main courses, such as duck breasts with pistachios; and desserts, such as chocolate and Cointreau gateau. A section on techniques provides the beginner with the basics for becoming a successful cook. 1994.

V-Bombs and Weathermaps: Reminiscences of World War II RC 42525
by Brock McElheran
read by Robert Sams
2 cassettes
A Royal Canadian Navy officer describes the suffering and gallantry of the British through the German V-1 and V-2 air attacks in 1944. Recounts the author's own serious injury by a V-1 and the ordeal of his recovery. 1995.

Integrity RC 42528
by Stephen L. Carter
read by Norman Fitz
3 cassettes
For Yale University law professor Carter, integrity involves discerning right from wrong, then openly doing what is right. He offers anecdotal examples from law, politics, academia, business, and sports to demonstrate contemporary morality shortages and plead for integrity as a practical public necessity. 1996.

The Womanly Art of Breastfeeding: Thirty-fifth Anniversary Edition; Revised and Updated RC 42529
by La Leche League International
read by Barbara Pinolini
3 cassettes
Fifth edition of the La Leche League's classic book covering all aspects of breastfeeding, including health issues and family dynamics. Information for fathers and working mothers has been added to this revision. 1991.

Perfect Villains, Imperfect Heroes: Robert F. Kennedy's War against Organized Crime RC 42531
by Ronald Goldfarb
read by Gregory Gorton
3 cassettes
A prosecutor in Robert Kennedy's Justice Department uses reports he and others prepared, interviews, and memoirs to detail Kennedy's "hands-on" war on the Mafia. Goldfarb probes the incongruity between that fight and the alleged use of the Mafia by the Kennedys to win the presidency and to try to kill Fidel Castro. He also sees possible mob connections to President John F. Kennedy's death. 1995.

The Complete Kwanzaa: Celebrating Our Cultural Harvest RC 42533
by Dorothy Winbush Riley
read by Camille McCurty Ali
3 cassettes
An anthology of essays, folktales,

poems, personal profiles, and recipes on the African American festival of Kwanzaa. The selections serve to illuminate the seven principles of the event and to guide in its celebration. For senior high and older readers. 1995.

KidShapes: A Guide to Helping Your Kids Control Their Weight RC 42561
by Laura Walther Nathanson
read by Kerry Cundiff
2 cassettes
A pediatrician discusses methods of ensuring children maintain healthy weights without becoming preoccupied with calories, feeling deprived, or feeling different. She gives nutritional information for ages newborn to puberty. 1995.

Words Still Count with Me: A Chronicle of Literary Conversations RC 42562
by Herbert Mitgang
read by John Richardson
2 cassettes
A series of impressionistic portraits drawn from interviews with more than sixty of the twentieth century's great authors, including E.B. White, Rebecca West, and Norman Mailer. Gives insights into their personalities and creative lives. 1995.

Parental Divorce RC 42569
by Debra Goldentyer
read by Lisa Kiava
1 cassette
Discusses issues faced by children whose parents are divorcing, with a view to helping teens understand their own emotions and what is happening in their family. Information is presented in a question-and-answer format. Covers the reasons for divorce, legal rights, new roles, and parental dating and remarriage. For junior and senior high readers. 1995.

The World in 2020: Power, Culture, and Prosperity RC 42589
by Hamish McRae
read by Art Metzler
3 cassettes
Starting with an analysis of the economic world of the 1990s, McRae examines various forces for change and tries to judge their effects. By the year 2020, he believes, all developed nations will have embraced market capitalism and will be engaged in Darwinian global economic competition. McRae argues that nations able to balance creativity with social responsibility will have the advantage. 1994.

Another Turn of the Crank: Essays RC 42596
by Wendell Berry
read by Randy Atcher
1 cassette
A series of provocative essays espousing the importance of strong communities and local economies. Berry laments the adverse effects on community life of such forces as centralized government and the global economy. He offers suggestions for returning to simpler ways. 1995.

Brainscapes: An Introduction to What Neuroscience Has Learned about the Structure, Function, and Abilities of the Brain RC 42597
by Richard M. Restak
read by Butch Hoover
1 cassette
The neurologist, author of *The Brain Has a Mind of Its Own (RC 35295)*, explains chemical and genetic influences on thought, emotions, and behavior. For the lay reader. 1995.

Poison Mind RC 42601
by Jeffrey Good and Susan Goreck
read by Ray Foushee
2 cassettes
In 1988, Florida waitress Peggy Carr was hospitalized. Soon others in her family fell ill, and Peggy lapsed into a coma. Investigators determined the family had been poisoned by a tampered-with carton of Coke. They suspected next-door neighbor George Trepal, a Mensa member who knew chemistry. Coauthor Goreck, an undercover cop, befriended Trepal to find evidence to convict him. Some strong language. 1995.

Managing in a Time of Great Change RC 42608
by Peter F. Drucker
read by Gary Tipton
2 cassettes
A collection of articles for executives in light of "changes that have already happened" in the worlds of business, government, society, and the economy. Themes include the executive's changing job, the emergence of information as the key resource, and the suitability of team organization to the new business environment. Executives are exhorted to help "make the future" in a changing world. 1995.

Outrage: The Five Reasons Why O.J. Simpson Got Away with Murder RC 42643
by Vincent Bugliosi
read by John Rayburn
3 cassettes
Bugliosi, former prosecutor for Los Angeles County and renowned for winning a murder conviction against Charles Manson, analyzes the evidence in O.J. Simpson's murder trial. The author argues that Simpson did commit the grisly double murder of his ex-wife and her friend Ronald Goldman. Some strong language. Bestseller 1996.

New and Selected Poems, 1923–1985 RC 42648
by Robert Penn Warren
read by Jim Zeiger
2 cassettes
This collection, published for the author's eightieth birthday, reflects his artistic ripening through the years. The newest offerings, covering 1980–1984, deal with issues of aging, immortality, and nature, especially in the West and Midwest. Also includes selections from his two earlier Pulitzer Prize-winning collections. 1985.

Downcanyon: A Naturalist Explores the Colorado River through the Grand Canyon RC 42651
by Ann Haymond Zwinger
read by Jill Ferris
2 cassettes
To write this book, Zwinger joined a variety of research and other group trips down the Grand Canyon portion of the Colorado River. Her experiences on the river every month of the year flavor her detailed discussion of its natural history. 1995.

Those Who Love the Game: Glenn "Doc" Rivers on Life in the NBA and Elsewhere RC 42656
by Glenn Rivers and Bruce Brooks
read by Jake Williams
1 cassette
A collaborative biography of the New York Knicks guard, relating his experiences growing up and in professional basketball. Provides insights into the game and notable players such as Dr. J, Michael Jordan, and Magic Johnson.

For junior and senior high readers. 1993.

Maida Heatter's Brand-New Book of Great Cookies RC 42658
by Maida Heatter
read by Jill Ferris
2 cassettes
More than eighty cookie recipes and general tips on cookie making from an award-winning dessert-book author. Her selections include bar, drop, icebox, and rolling-pin cookies and biscotti. 1995.

***Sparring with Hemingway* and Other Legends of the Fight Game RC 42666**
by Budd Schulberg
read by Jake Williams
2 cassettes
Collection of boxing essays from *Sports Illustrated*'s first boxing editor. Schulberg provides an overview of the sport's forty years from Benny Leonard to Rocky Marciano to Muhammad Ali. Schulberg's portraits of the "sweet science" describe many of the classic bouts as well as the seamy side of the business. 1995.

Negotiating for Your Life: New Success Strategies for Women RC 42668
by Nicole Schapiro
read by Jill Ferris
2 cassettes
A manual for women that outlines strategies and tactics for handling the intricacies of negotiation. Schapiro discusses how to identify and work around certain personality types, such as the "datacrat" and the "steamroller." Divided into three parts—"Understanding Negotiation," "Strategies for Preparation," and "Negotiation in Action"—this book includes exercises and sample dialogues. 1993.

A Guide to Independence for the Visually Impaired and Their Families RC 42674
by Vivian Younger and Jill Sardegna
read by Jill Ferris
2 cassettes
Written for persons with no vision or low vision and their families and friends, this guide provides instructions on "how to perform basic tasks of daily living, how to address new and puzzling feelings and fears, how to respond to embarrassing situations," and more. Includes journal notes, organizational checklists, and a resource directory. 1994.

Green Was the Earth on the Seventh Day RC 42675
by Thor Heyerdahl
read by Bill Wallace
3 cassettes
Autobiographical and philosophical musings by the author regarding his stay, with his wife, Liv, on the South Pacific island of Fatu-Hiva. Their year-long adventure in the late 1930s led to Heyerdahl's later oceanic explorations, one of which is chronicled in *Kon-Tiki (RC 22841)*. 1996.

The Dog Who Loved Too Much: Tales, Treatments, and the Psychology of Dogs RC 42680
by Nicholas H. Dodman
read by Jamie Horton
2 cassettes
An animal behavior book by the veterinarian-director of a clinic for problem dogs. Dodman describes dogs with aggression, fear, and compulsive behavior. Treatments include changes in diet, exercise, and environment; obedience training and behavior modification; and drug therapy. 1996.

A Schoolteacher in Old Alaska: The Story of Hannah Breece RC 42681
edited by Jane Jacobs
read by Yvonne Fair Tessler
2 cassettes
Memoirs of Hannah Breece, an itinerant schoolteacher who taught in remote Alaskan settlements in the early 1900s. Employed by the U.S. Department of Interior in 1904 at the age of forty-five, Breece requested placement in Alaska, which had been purchased from Russia only thirty-seven years earlier. Braving storms, forest fires, bears, and wild dogs, Breece earned respect from her students and their families. 1995.

The Goshawk RC 42687
by T.H. White
read by Bill Wallace
1 cassette
Chronicles the two-month battle of wills between the author, a novice falconer, and the hawk he is trying to tame and train for hunting. Provides daily accounts of progress, mistakes, and setbacks as well as insights and self-discoveries. 1979.

A Good Year to Die: The Story of the Great Sioux War RC 42703
by Charles M. Robinson
read by L.J. Ganser
3 cassettes
Narrative history of the Great Sioux War of 1876, focusing on the efforts of the United States Army, led by George Crook, Alfred Terry, George Armstrong Custer, and Ranald Mackenzie, to conquer the western Native American tribes led by Sitting Bull and Crazy Horse. Robinson uses accounts from diaries, manuscripts, and newspapers to document the battles, rivalries, and competing cultures. Violence. 1995.

In Good Hands: The Keeping of a Family Farm RC 42730
by Charles Fish
read by Gary Telles
2 cassettes
Account of six generations on a Vermont family farm by a "vagrant scion" who spent his boyhood summers there. Fish recounts the arduous and complex tasks of farm routine and tells of a close family dedicated to land, duty, and the virtuous life. He evokes an era when the family farm was central to the national experience. 1995.

The Maximum Wage: A Common-Sense Prescription for Revitalizing America—by Taxing the Very Rich RC 42732
by Sam Pizzigati
read by Michael Consoli
1 cassette
The author argues that "the rich are sapping the strength of America . . . corrupting our democracy and strangling our economy." He proposes a "Ten Times Rule" that would cut taxes for all Americans, except the very rich. 1992.

The Message of the Sphinx: A Quest for the Hidden Legacy of Mankind RC 42744
by Graham Hancock and Robert Bauval
read by Lou Harpenau
2 cassettes
Hancock and Bauval attempt to decipher the mysteries of the Great Sphinx of Egypt, which they claim is eight thousand years older than formerly believed. The authors use computer simulations of ancient skies to support their theories as to the origin and meaning of the Great Sphinx and also the three pyramids of Giza. Bestseller 1996.

Escape Velocity: Cyberculture at the End of the Century RC 42746
by Mark Dery
read by Barry Bernson
3 cassettes
Escape velocity is the speed that it takes for a body to pull away from the earth. Dery suggests that computer culture is reaching "escape velocity" from history and tradition. This overview looks at junkyard robot makers who stage mechanical performances and others who use technology to extend their physical and mental abilities. Some strong language. 1996.

Drinking: A Love Story RC 42791
by Caroline Knapp
read by Annie Wauters
2 cassettes
One woman's struggle to overcome twenty years of "high-functioning" alcoholism. She examines how drinking contributed to her difficulty in dealing with her parents' deaths and with the discovery of her father's alcoholism. Includes information about alcohol abuse and an alcoholism questionnaire. Some strong language. Bestseller 1996.

No Shirt, No Shoes, No Problem! RC 42792
by Jeff Foxworthy
read by Gregory Gorton
2 cassettes
The comedian known for his television sitcom, his comedy albums, and his books continues to joke about his southern roots and redneck ways. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1996.

Knee Deep in Paradise RC 42798
by Brett Butler
read by Dani Carr
2 cassettes
Comedian known for her starring role in the sitcom *Grace under Fire* takes a serious look at her past. Abandoned by her father at an early age, Butler later faced her mother's depression, her own alcoholism, and an abusive first husband. Strong language, violence, and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1996.

Angela's Ashes: A Memoir RC 42805
by Frank McCourt
read by Patrick Horgan
3 cassettes
Frank McCourt recollects his "miserable Irish Catholic childhood" in the squalor of Limerick. Absent any support from his glib, but shiftless, alcoholic father, the family suffered hunger, cruelty, disease, and the death of children. McCourt recounts his story without rancor. Strong language. 1996.

Jack and Jackie: Portrait of an American Marriage RC 42809
by Christopher Andersen
read by Ralph Lowenstein
3 cassettes
Andersen examines the relationship between John Fitzgerald Kennedy and Jacqueline Lee Bouvier, revealing details about their courtship, Jackie's difficult pregnancies, John's rumored liaisons with numerous celebrities, and the impact of children on their marriage. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1996.

The Re-Enchantment of Everyday Life
RC 42813
by Thomas Moore
read by Gordon Gould
3 cassettes
Moore avers that a spiritual, enchanted engagement with life is not a childish thing to be put away with adulthood but a necessity for personal and collective survival. Describes how such ordinary aspects of life as gardens, food, and language can take on a new sense of wonder and beauty. Bestseller 1996.

A Man's World: How Real Is Male Privilege—and How High Is Its Price?
RC 42820
by Ellis Cose
read by Jake Williams
2 cassettes
A contributing editor of *Newsweek* magazine and author of *The Rage of a Privileged Class (RC 38582)* examines men's "sense of dissatisfaction." He explores men's confusion over changing roles in the workplace and in the home and over issues of sexual harassment and battery. Cose maintains that men are not as privileged as feminists suppose. 1995.

Red Earth, White Lies: Native Americans and the Myth of Scientific Fact
RC 42828
by Vine Deloria
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes
A professor of history, law, and religious studies attacks scientific doctrines as he understands them from "reading scholarly articles and popular writers." He questions ideas of evolution and migration via the Bering Strait in favor of Native American scenarios of prehistory. Some strong language. 1995.

Arguing about Slavery: The Great Battle in the United States Congress
RC 42844
by William Lee Miller
read by John Rayburn
5 cassettes
Recounts the controversy in the U.S. Congress from 1835 to 1845 over the right of women and slaves to petition for ending the slave trade in the U.S. capital. Describes John Quincy Adams's long effort to repeal a gag rule that barred such petitions and the significance of his action in the ultimate abolition of slavery. 1995.

The Eagle and the Rose: A Remarkable True Story RC 42849
by Rosemary Altea
read by Mary Woods
2 cassettes
Life of an English clairvoyant and medium. Altea describes the hardship of growing up in an abusive family, forced to conceal her psychic abilities. As an adult, Altea is befriended by a healer, who helps her develop her psychic gifts, and by Grey Eagle, a Native American spirit guide. 1995.

Emergency! True Stories from the Nation's ERs RC 42853
compiled by Mark Brown
read by David Hartley-Margolin
2 cassettes
An emergency room doctor has compiled stories from his colleagues in hospitals throughout the country. Doctors and nurses describe emergency cases during their careers that have stayed with them in vivid detail. The brief stories range from heartbreaking to humorous and encompass a wide variety of health conditions. Includes a glossary

of ER terms. Some strong language and some violence. 1996.

Citizen Koch: An Autobiography RC 42886
by Edward I. Koch
read by Richard Davidson
2 cassettes
Memoirs of the former mayor of New York City, whose political career included stints as a councilman and as a United States congressman. Koch reminisces about his public life, depicts the struggles of his Polish-Jewish immigrant family during the depression, describes his World War II service, and boasts about his outspokenness and how it affected his job performance. Some strong language. 1992.

Speed Tribes: Days and Nights with Japan's Next Generation RC 42888
by Karl Taro Greenfeld
read by Robert Blumenfeld
2 cassettes
Describes Japan's little-known youth subculture that emerged as a result of the "bubble economy," expanding prosperity in the late 1980s. Greenfeld covers the sordid side of Tokyo's urban society, including organized crime, nightclubs, motorcycle gangs, and the porn industry. Strong language. 1994.

"I Am Who I Am": Speaking Out about Multiracial Identity RC 42890
by Kathlyn Gay
read by Catherine Byers
1 cassette
An overview of the cultural, historical, and political aspects of the American mixed-race experience. Gay examines the role of prejudice and racism in the difficulties faced by children of multiracial heritage, as well as negative media images and stereotypes. Includes a directory of interracial support groups. For junior and senior high and older readers. 1995.

Bare Knuckles and Back Rooms: My Life in American Politics RC 42900
by Ed Rollins
read by Michael Consoli
3 cassettes
A candid account of Washington politics by a veteran campaign strategist. Traces his blue-collar youth, his years as a championship amateur boxer, and his controversial thirty-year career as a political adviser to presidents and other major candidates. Strong language. Bestseller 1996.

Privileged Hands: A Scientific Life RC 42911
by Geerat Vermeij
read by Ed Blake
2 cassettes
An esteemed evolutionary biologist and paleontologist, who has been blind since the age of four, describes his childhood and his career. Born in the Netherlands, Vermeij faced learning both a new language and contracted braille when he began third grade in the United States. But he brought with him a love of seashells, which became his life's work. 1997.

The Road to San Giovanni RC 42916
by Italo Calvino
read by Robert Blumenfeld
1 cassette
Five autobiographical essays or "memory exercises." The title work depicts Calvino as a child accompanying his father to market. "A Cinema-Goer's Autobiography" reveals how the movies reinforced Calvino's imagination. "Memories of a Battle" is a reflection on fighting the Fascists. "La Poubelle

Agréée" is a satire on taking out the garbage. And "From the Opaque" collects Calvino's thoughts on writing. 1990.

The Complete Collected Poems of Maya Angelou RC 42918
by Maya Angelou
read by Gail Nelson
1 cassette
In this collection of more than 150 poems, Angelou celebrates the lives of black people, though many of her poems are universal in their appeal. She uses the speech patterns of southern blacks and of the streetwise hip, the currents of blues and jazz, and the rhythm of rap. The collection includes "Still I Rise" and "On the Pulse of Morning." 1994.

Reviving the Spirit: A Generation of African Americans Goes Home to Church RC 42924
by Beverly Hall Lawrence
read by Robin Miles
1 cassette
A journalist born in Georgia and living in New York City draws on personal experience to show that African Americans are turning to churches for affirmation and a sense of racial pride. She focuses on the Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church in Baltimore, Maryland, describing its "dashing" pastor, its involvement in economic development, and its "Mighty Men of God" ministry. 1996.

Beyond the Promised Land: Jews and Arabs on the Hard Road to a New Israel RC 42928
by Glenn Frankel
read by Ralph Lowenstein
4 cassettes
An overview of Israel's economic, social, and political history from 1987 to 1993. The Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist traces his view of Israel's transition from an embattled collectivist state to a pluralistic nation pursuing diplomacy and peace. 1994.

A Shepherd Looks at Psalm 23 RC 42934
by Phillip W. Keller
read by Rick Rohan
1 cassette
The author brings information and insights from his own experience in sheepherding to this meditation on the psalm. For example, he uses the predicament of a "cast" sheep—one that has fallen over on its back and can't get up—to elucidate the phrase "he restoreth my soul." 1970.

Catching My Breath: An Asthmatic Explores His Illness RC 42944
by Tim Brookes
read by Robert Sams
2 cassettes
Journalist and National Public Radio essayist Brookes examines the common but apparently incurable disease he has suffered from since age eleven: asthma. His personal experiences, such as a frightening attack that didn't respond to the usual remedies and landed him in the hospital, are interspersed with information on symptoms and therapies. Brookes's research included watching surgery on a lung. Some strong language. 1994.

Not Entitled: A Memoir RC 42980
by Frank Kermode
read by George Holmes
2 cassettes
Autobiography of a distinguished man of letters. The author recounts the three major phases of his life: his isolated

youth on the Isle of Man, his service in the British navy during World War II, and his fifty-year career as a scholar and journalist. 1995.

The Railway Man: A POW's Searing Account of War, Brutality, and Forgiveness RC 42982
by Eric Lomax
read by Graeme Malcolm
2 cassettes
Born in Scotland, where from youth he nurtures an intense interest in trains, Lomax becomes a prisoner when Singapore falls to the Japanese in 1942 and is sent to work on the Burma-Siam railway. When a map he draws is found, he is subjected to torture that cripples him physically and psychologically. After a lifetime of bitterness, he forgives one of his persecutors. Violence. 1995.

Shadowlands RC 42985
by William Nicholson
read by John Horton
1 cassette
This play, based on actual events, explores the social and emotional complications of a late romance between two intellectuals. At fifty-eight, philosopher-author C.S. Lewis meets the married poet Joy Davidson. Davidson divorces, marries Lewis, and soon dies of cancer. The marriage brings Lewis social and family reproach and causes him to question his theology. Winner of the 1990 London *Evening Standard* Best Play Award. 1990.

A Genius for Living: The Life of Frieda Lawrence RC 42988
by Janet Byrne
read by Suzanne Toren
3 cassettes
Chronicles the tumultuous life of the aristocratic Prussian who abandoned her husband and three children to become the wife, muse, and defender of English novelist D.H. Lawrence. 1995.

A Place in Space: Ethics, Aesthetics, and Watersheds; New and Selected Prose RC 43025
by Gary Snyder
read by Ed Blake
2 cassettes
A collection of essays that are "Buddhist, poetic, and environmental calls to complex moral thought and action." Holds that nature is not something apart from human society, but intrinsic. Urges humans to transcend their differences and find common ground for their own good and nature's. 1995.

The Presidency of George Washington RC 43027
by Forrest McDonald
read by Ralph Lowenstein
2 cassettes (Reissue)
The author explores the reputation of the first president and its role in American history, arguing that the mystique surrounding Washington allowed a divided and contentious young country to trust executive authority and establish the office of president. McDonald also describes Washington's administration and the end of his immunity to public criticism. 1974.

Meadowlands RC 43058
by Louise Glück
read by Mitzi Friedlander
1 cassette
A collection of poems that interweaves vignettes from *The Odyssey* with the story of a dissolving modern marriage. Uses Homer's characters metaphorically to portray aspects of contemporary family life. Meditates on compulsion

and choice and on freedom and restraint. 1996.

Sleeping on a Wire: Conversations with Palestinians in Israel RC 43192
by David Grossman
read by Ken Kliban
2 cassettes
Portrays the lives of the Arab citizens who make up almost one-fifth of Israel's population. Describes the inequities faced by this minority and shows how Israel's Arabs must deal with both Jewish hostility and the suspicions of their fellow Palestinians. 1993.

Farewell to Manzanar: A True Story of Japanese American Experience during and after the World War II Internment RC 43194
by Jeanne Wakatsuki Houston and James D. Houston
read by Catherine Byers
1 cassette (Reissue)
An intimate look at the painful years during World War II when the Wakatsuki family was imprisoned in a California internment camp for Japanese Americans. 1973.

Edgar Cayce on Atlantis RC 43205
by Edgar Evans Cayce
read by Christopher Hurt
1 cassette
The author distills and arranges excerpts about the legendary continent of Atlantis from many psychic readings given by his father, Edgar Cayce, who is called the "Sleeping Prophet." The "life readings" describe the individuals' previous incarnations in an advanced, flourishing civilization that vanished twelve thousand years ago. The author discusses the validation and relevance of the elder Cayce's readings and predictions. 1968.

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Prophets and Warriors: The Children of the Lion, Volume 15 RC 38503
by Peter Danielson
read by Patrick Horgan
2 cassettes
The Teller of Tales once again begins. He speaks of how Theon and Talus recover the treasure of the Children of the Lion, of the new evil confronting them, and of a seafaring clan who will come forth to help them. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. Sequel to *The Trumpet and the Sword (RC 38502)*. 1992.

The Death of Kings: The Children of the Lion, Volume 17 RC 38505
by Peter Danielson
read by Patrick Horgan
2 cassettes
The scholar remembers that he has spoken of how Saul, even without the enlightenment of other leaders, forged a single realm out of the Twelve Tribes of Israel. Now he tells how David is persecuted, and how a Child of the Lion defends David and helps him lead his nation to a greatness heretofore unknown. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. Sequel to *Departed Glory (RC 38504)*. 1994.

The List of 7 RC 39937
by Mark Frost
read by Christopher Walker
3 cassettes
In late 1884, physician and writer Arthur Conan Doyle receives a note requesting his presence at a seance. When the gathering erupts in murder and mayhem, Doyle flees with the help of a lanky stranger. Finding his lodgings have been slimed in the interim, Doyle realizes it is

he who is being targeted—but why? The stranger can provide the answers, but the men have little time to chat as they dodge their menacing pursuers. Strong language and violence. 1993.

To Green Angel Tower: Memory, Sorrow, and Thorn, Book 3 RC 40339
by Tad Williams
read by Erik Sandvold
10 cassettes
In this sequel to *Stone of Farewell (RC 40338)*, the Storm King and his undead allies continue to gather strength for a final confrontation with Simon and his companions, who are fighting to help Prince Josua gain the throne now occupied by his brother, King Elias. Each will face numerous skirmishes before the final confrontation at the Green Angel Tower. For high school and older readers. 1993.

The Titian Committee RC 40829
by Iain Pears
read by Patrick Horgan
2 cassettes
Flavia di Stefano of the Italian National Art Theft Squad is in Venice to investigate the death of fifty-eight-year-old Professor Louise M. Masterson, a member of the six-panel committee cataloging the works of Titian. Naturally the committee members seem likely suspects—until they also start turning up dead. Sequel to *The Raphael Affair (RC 40828)*. 1991.

Bride of Pendorric RC 40924
by Victoria Holt
read by Vanessa Maroney
3 cassettes (Reissue)
A young woman marries the master of a castle on the coast of Cornwall, scarcely knowing him. The suspense builds when she learns of the legend that the previous bride of Pendorric cannot rest in her grave until a second bride has met her death. 1963.

Reklaw RC 40945
by Wayne Davis
read by John Stratton
2 cassettes
The wanderer who calls himself Reklaw is actually Andrew Jackson Walker. He has been on the run since he was twelve because he killed the man who murdered his parents. Now rancher Bauer is offering Reklaw a part of his herd in return for his help. But Bauer's granddaughter, Gretchen, has been in charge of the herd since her father left six years earlier, and she doesn't want any help from Reklaw. Some violence. 1995.

The Promise of Rest RC 41388
by Reynolds Price
read by David Palmer
3 cassettes
In this sequel to *The Surface of Earth (RC 41386)* and *The Source of Light (RC 41387)*, Price continues his tale of the Mayfield family. In April 1993, Hutch travels to New York to bring his son Wade, who is dying of AIDS and has recently lost his lover, back home to North Carolina. It is Wade's return that will bring reconciliation to the family. Some strong language. 1995.

A Gathering of Memories RC 41475
by Lori Wick
read by Mary Woods
2 cassettes
Silas Cameron's young wife, Amy, is despairing of ever becoming pregnant when she hears about the five Jackson siblings. Their mother has just died and their father's whereabouts are unknown. Although the oldest, Mandy, is just four years younger than she, Amy wants to

take the children in. As she explains to Mandy, "God knew you were just what we needed." Sequel to *The Long Road Home (RC 41474)*. 1991.

Land of the Shadow: The Appomattox Saga, Book 4 RC 41582
by Gilbert Morris
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
Noah Rocklin's grandson Paul Bristol, just back from studying photography in France with Monsieur Daguerre, has been asked by President Davis to take photos of Confederate soldiers. He needs an assistant and has reluctantly hired Miss Frankie Aimes because of her knowledge of photography. But Paul has no idea she is hiding a secret that could endanger both of them. Sequel to *Where Honor Dwells (RC 41581)*. 1993.

Out of the Whirlwind: The Appomattox Saga, Book 5 RC 41583
by Gilbert Morris
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
Burke Rocklin has returned home to Gracefield with one thought in mind—marry an heiress. But fate intervenes and Burke becomes involved in the war, is wounded, and ends up in a Northern hospital. There he is nursed by Grace Swenson, a Quaker preacher who has come to help the wounded. Her faith and support are vital to Burke's recovery, but the future is uncertain. Sequel to *Land of the Shadow (RC 41582)*. 1994.

The Ground She Walks Upon RC 41829
by Meagan McKinney
read by Lindsay Ellison
3 cassettes
Ireland, 1828. Reverend Jamie Drummond is awakened from his musings by a scream from the woman cleaning the church—the old druid cross is glowing. A hurried note is sent to Father Patrick Nolan informing him that the council must meet this night. It is the eve of Niall Trevallyan's twentieth birthday, and the "geis" must be put into effect or Niall will suffer great misfortune. But must he really marry a newborn? Some explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

Women of Wonder: The Contemporary Years; Science Fiction by Women from the 1970s to the 1990s RC 41833
edited by Pamela Sargent
read by Carole Jordan Stewart
4 cassettes
Twenty-one stories arranged chronologically, including "Cassandra" by C.J. Cherryh, "The Thaw" by Tanith Lee, "Bloodchild" by Octavia Butler, "Fears" by Pamela Sargent, "Rachel in Love" by Pat Murphy, and "At the Rialto" by Connie Willis. Sequel to *Women of Wonder: The Classic Years (RC 41832)*. Descriptions of sex and some strong language. 1995.

Shame of Man: Geodyssey, Volume 2 RC 41902
by Piers Anthony
read by Madelyn Buzzard
4 cassettes
Beginning in prehuman times, Hu and his family are reincarnated into subsequent eras of history where they play out the drama and turbulence of human existence at different stages of civilization. The narratives of the reborn family serve as a chronicle of human cultural evolution from prehistoric times to the near future. Sequel to *Isle of Woman (RC 38737)*. Some explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

The Western Trail: Trail Drive Series, Book 2 RC 41981
by Ralph Compton
read by Bob Askey
2 cassettes
The love of a good fight stays with former Texas Ranger Benton McCaleb as he heads up an outfit to drive longhorns on the new Western Trail and settle a homestead in Cheyenne, which is now reached by rail. Rumors of shady land dealings challenge McCaleb's sense of justice, and he takes up the fight. Sequel to *The Goodnight Trail (RC 41980)*. Some violence and some strong language. 1992.

The Bandera Trail: Trail Drive Series, Book 4 RC 41983
by Ralph Compton
read by Chuck Benson
2 cassettes
When Gil and Van Austin receive a plea for help from their partner, Clay Duval, who has gone into Mexico to get cattle, they have little choice but to go to his aid. Tension at the border runs high after the fall of the Alamo and the Texans' revenge at San Jacinto, making the journey nearly suicidal. But the two spirited men must find Clay, and they need the cattle. Strong language and violence. 1993.

Star Wars: Darksaber RC 42038
by Kevin J. Anderson
read by Chuck Benson
3 cassettes
Luke Skywalker and Han Solo return to the desert planet Tatooine on a quest to restore Jedi powers to Luke's beloved Callista. Meanwhile, the Hutt crime syndicate, headed by Jabba's successor, Durga, is building a new death star to terrorize the galaxy, and the ever-vengeful Admiral Daala of the Empire is marshalling forces to crush the New Republic. Sequel to *Champions of the Force (RC 40279)*. Bestseller 1995.

Invader RC 42111
by C.J. Cherryh
read by Kimberly Schraf
4 cassettes
Two hundred years ago the starship *Phoenix* left a colony on the world of the atevi. Now the human colony lives in an uneasy peace with the humanoid atevi, and Bren Cameron, the only human allowed to come into contact with them, strives for continued peace between two entirely different cultures. But stability is threatened when the *Phoenix* returns to the planet. Sequel to *Foreigner (RC 39135)*. Some strong language. 1995.

Arc Light RC 42118
by Eric L. Harry
read by Gregory Gorton
5 cassettes
In the near future a single red light blinks on the phone panel at the Pentagon as the United States learns that Russia is planning a nuclear attack on China. Unfortunately, the president's national security adviser suggests the Chinese be informed—which results in ground, sea, and air warfare. The nuclear battles threaten to snuff out humanity forever. Strong language and violence. 1994.

Storm Rising: The Mage Storms, Book 2 RC 42124
by Mercedes Lackey
read by Gary Tipton
3 cassettes
The Heralds of Valdemar and the Sunpriests of Karse struggle against the mysterious storms that are wreaking

havoc on the two kingdoms. Even the magical power forged by the alliance between the two lands may not be strong enough to fend off total destruction. To make matters worse, the alliance is threatened when Karal, the Karse envoy to the court of Valdemar, is accused of spying. Sequel to *Storm Warning (RC 42123)*. 1995.

Queen City Jazz RC 42173
by Kathleen Ann Goonan
read by Carole Jordan Stewart
3 cassettes
Verity, an orphan, is raised by a religious group that rejects nanotech, the once-promising technology that has now warped civilization. When a nanotech plague strikes, Verity sets out for the technologically superior but dangerously insane city of Cincinnati, where she hopes to find keys to her identity and learn the forbidden knowledge that can save or destroy those she loves. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1994.

Tennessee Williams: Collected Stories RC 42200
by Tennessee Williams
read by Lindsay Ellison
5 cassettes
Forty-nine short stories by the Southern playwright, some published for the first time. Offbeat and tragic characters are placed in disturbing and emotional settings. Introduction by Gore Vidal provides insights about events in Williams's life that are reflected in the stories. Many of the works were later made into plays. Some violence, some strong language, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1985.

Cleo RC 42201
by Jean Brody
read by Lindsay Ellison
3 cassettes
Fictional memoir of a spirited country girl. In 1927, Cleo, fifteen, leaves her home in Robina, Oklahoma, because of a line in a book: "I craved to go beyond the garden gate, to follow the road that passed it by, and to set out for the unknown." Cleo tells all about her first job as a trumpet player, her first marriage with its tragic ending, a second marriage, and the many odd jobs she took in order to survive. Some descriptions of sex. 1994.

Someone Special RC 42204
by Judith Saxton
read by Anne Hancock
4 cassettes
Three girls are born in England on the same April day in 1926. One is Nell, the daughter of Hester Coburn, who must struggle to make a life for herself and her daughter. The second is Anna, whose mother, Constance Radwell, is used to having anything she wants. And the third is Princess Elizabeth. Follows the three girls as they grow into young adults before and during World War II. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1994.

Pillar of Fire RC 42251
by Judith Tarr
read by Anne Flosnik
4 cassettes
Nofret, a young Hittite slave girl, is brought to the court of Egyptian pharaoh Akhenaten to serve as handmaiden to princess Ankhesenpaaten. Although outspoken and sharp-tongued, Nofret learns to fit in well with her new life. But Akhenaten's obsession with his

one god alienates his people and causes disruptions. Nofret must flee Egypt, but she is destined to meet Akhenaten again —this time among the Hebrews, where he reappears as Moses. 1995.

She Flew the Coop: A Novel Concerning Life, Death, Sex, and Recipes in Limoges, Louisiana RC 42277
by Michael Lee West
read by Madelyn Buzzard
4 cassettes
Irreverent satire on small-town life with recipes for southern dishes thrown in. In 1952, Olive Nepper, sixteen, turns against Jesus and takes poison; she is pregnant by her minister. She lies in a coma while the eccentric town residents carry on their lives—working, attending church, gardening, cooking, and gossiping. Violence, strong language, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

Darkening of the Light RC 42283
by Paul Block
read by Roy Avers
2 cassettes
The Ballinger family saga continues from *Beneath the Sky (RC 39120)*. In China, Ross Ballinger becomes embroiled in the bitter 1840s opium wars, with his trading company at the center of the conflict. His passion for the unattainable and married Mei-Li brings him great sadness. Meanwhile Connor Maginnis, now married into the Ballinger family, seeks his revenge. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

The Stanton Succession RC 42291
by Warren Kiefer
read by Roy Avers
3 cassettes
The impressive and brilliant economist Adam Walsh is the candidate favored to become the new CEO of Stanton Industries, until it is discovered that he has a criminal record of fraud and extortion and has stolen millions from the company. When confronted, Walsh acts as if his competitors for the job have merely tossed the gauntlet, beginning high-stakes corporate infighting, intrigue, and danger. Violence and explicit descriptions of sex. 1992.

The Reckoning RC 42293
by James Byron Huggins
read by John Polk
4 cassettes
Jonathan Gage, once a skilled secret agent, gave up the profession after being converted to Christianity by Father Simon. But now Father Simon has been murdered, and the priest's friends Professor Malachi Halder and Halder's daughter, Susan, are in grave danger—all because of a manuscript that Simon and Halder once discovered, translated, and then failed to destroy. Some violence. 1994.

Sound the Trumpet: The Liberty Bell, Book 1 RC 42297
by Gilbert Morris
read by Jack Fox
2 cassettes
When British Daniel and Lyna Bradford lose their mother, going to a workhouse seems their only option. Fortunately, they are hired by Lord Rochester to work as indentured servants for five years, and life is good. Then young Leo Rochester makes passes at Lyna, and Daniel fights with him and must leave. Both Daniel and Lyna will endure many hardships before they are reunited in America. Some violence. 1995.

The Mandarin of Mayfair: Tales of the Jewelled Men, Volume 6 RC 42299
by Patricia Veryan
read by Bruce Huntey
2 cassettes
Katrina Falcon is in love with Jamie Morris, a member of Rossiter's Preservers—a group trying to put an end to the League of Jewelled Men. Katrina's brother, August, also a member of the group, makes no secret of his dislike for Jamie. But dislikes must be put aside as the Preservers unite to prevent the League's overthrow of King George II. Sequel to *Never Doubt I Love (RC 40818)*. 1995.

The Road Home RC 42307
by Ellen Emerson White
read by Madelyn Buzzard
3 cassettes
A tour of duty in Vietnam as a nurse has a profound effect on Rebecca. Endless days of triage—sorting and treating the incoming wounded—leave her a physical and emotional wreck; she all but forgets her own injuries. Coming home to the States is harder than she expects, and she heads west to find Michael, with whom she had a blossoming romance in Vietnam. Strong language, violence, and some descriptions of sex. For senior high and older readers. 1995.

Murder in the Executive Mansion RC 42311
by Elliott Roosevelt
read by Janis Gray
2 cassettes
King George VI and Queen Elizabeth are making a state visit to the White House, where the staff is busy with last-minute details. Eleanor Roosevelt plans to introduce the royal couple to a few staff members who worked diligently on the preparations. But when the time arrives, Lucinda Robinson is missing. It is several days before she is found—strangled to death in a closet. Mrs. Roosevelt helps D.C.'s finest with the investigation. 1995.

All My Suspects RC 42337
by Louise Shaffer
read by Ann Hodapp
1 cassette
Prequel to *Talked to Death (RC 42338)*. Shortly after Angie DaVito takes over as producer for the soap opera, *Bright Tomorrow*, her supervisor, network vice president Gregg Whithall, is found murdered on the set. Since none of the crew or cast has forgiven Gregg for firing the show's star, police detective Teresa O'Hanlon has many suspects to sift through, and Angie manages to help. Strong language. 1994.

Talked to Death RC 42338
by Louise Shaffer
read by Ann Hodapp
2 cassettes
In this sequel to *All My Suspects (RC 42337)*, former soap opera producer Angie DaVito is offered a position producing a talk show hosted by Cee Gee. Angie plays amateur sleuth again as vicious pranks point to Grace Shipley, the producer Angie replaced. When Grace is murdered, Angie calls in police detective Teresa O'Hanlon but continues her own snooping with the help of Cee Gee's young daughter. Strong language and some violence. 1995.

Stradivarius RC 42346
by Donald P. Ladew
read by James DeLotel
2 cassettes
In 1685 Antonio Stradivari, the master craftsman of Cremona, created the violin he named Hercules. Now, in 1951, Hercules is found in a burned-out farmhouse in Korea by wounded sergeant Luther Cole, who thinks of it as just a fiddle. He comes to realize the instrument is special and feels he has survived to care for it and see that it is put into the right hands. For senior high and older readers. 1995.

The Wild Shore RC 42348
by Kim Stanley Robinson
read by Roy Avers
3 cassettes
In the year 2047, young Hank Fletcher struggles to maintain a simple existence in a Pacific Coast community recovering from nuclear attack. As Hank subsists amid the devastation, he dreams of the world that was and about the role that he might play in its rebirth. Prequel to *The Gold Coast (RC 28118)* and *Pacific Edge (RC 35071)*. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1984.

The Information RC 42349
by Martin Amis
read by James DeLotel
3 cassettes
Richard Tull, forty, writer of experimental novels, longs for success. Instead, he spends his time cranking out reviews of hefty biographies while his wife makes more money than he does. Richard's best friend, Gwyn Barry, writer of "the ideal world" novel, has everything Richard wants. So Richard sets out to wreck Gwyn's career. Strong language and descriptions of sex. 1995.

Murphy's Stand RC 42350
by Gary Paulsen and Brian Burks
read by John Polk
1 cassette
In the three years since his wife was killed, ex-sheriff Al Murphy and his horse have been wandering. Hungry and broke outside the small town of Turrett, he comes upon a murder and shoots his way free. The murder victim is Jake McCormick, who owns a business with his sister, Christine. Christine hires Murphy to defend her wagons against the rival tradesman she holds responsible for Jake's death. Violence. 1993.

Arcadia RC 42352
by Jim Crace
read by Roy Avers
2 cassettes
It is Victor's eightieth birthday. Rook, his right-hand man, and Anna, his secretary, have planned a simple country meal—tablecloths flapping in the breeze, and cats to pick up the scraps—as best they can for the man who lives twenty-seven stories and a hundred meters up. Victor has asked five guests and specified no speeches or gifts. But this billionaire has quite a surprise for his visitors. Strong language, some violence, and some descriptions of sex. 1992.

The Far Side of Home RC 42353
by Maggie Davis
read by John Polk
2 cassettes (Reissue)
A soldier in the Civil War can think of nothing but the fiasco of his wedding night and his desperate wish to make things right with his bride. That the granting of his wish also makes him a prisoner of the enemy gives him no concern at all. Strong language, some vio-

lence, and some descriptions of sex. 1963.

Paper Doll RC 42358
by Elizabeth Feuer
read by Jill Fox
1 cassette
Leslie, who lost her legs in a car accident twelve years ago, is now a high school senior and gifted violinist planning to apply Juilliard, much to her father's delight. Leslie is bothered by her father's anger at her brother's decision to drop out of college, and his displeasure when she finds a first boyfriend in Jeff, who has cerebral palsy. Some strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. For junior and senior high readers. 1990.

Act of Betrayal RC 42359
by Edna Buchanan
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
As Miami police reporter Britt Montero investigates the disappearances of eerily similar boys, she is told to interview Reyes, a man who hopes to become the first president of free Cuba. Confused that Reyes insisted on her for the interview, Montero is shocked to learn he knew her father, who was executed in Cuba when Montero was three. Strong language, violence, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1996.

Relic RC 42361
by Douglas Preston and Lincoln Child
read by Carole Jordan Stewart
3 cassettes
In September 1987, all members of an expedition to the Amazon were killed. A box of relics survived and has finally arrived at the New York Museum of Natural History, where the contents will be part of a new exhibit. But first the staff must deal with the brutal murders of two young boys in the museum's basement. Graduate student Margo Green thinks all the deaths are connected. Violence and strong language. 1995.

A Woman by Design RC 42363
by Frances Kennett
read by Carole Jordan Stewart
4 cassettes
When her marriage proves disastrous after the birth of her daughter, Alice defies nineteenth-century convention and seeks a divorce. To support herself, she develops a talent for designing elegant dresses for women of the class to which she had belonged. As her business and reputation grow, she feels fulfilled, except that she cannot marry the man she truly loves. Strong language and explicit descriptions of sex. 1987.

Nip the Buds, Shoot the Kids RC 42364
by Kenzaburo Oe
read by Barry Bernson
1 cassette
In wartime Japan, fifteen reformatory boys are moved from village to village. The scorn and cruelty of ignorant and base peasants along the way add to the mistreatment of the boys. After being exposed to the plague, they are forced into isolation in a deserted village. The author of this angry and poetic first novel first published in 1958 later won the 1994 Nobel Prize for Literature. Violence and explicit descriptions of sex. 1995.

Ultimate Sports: Short Stories by Outstanding Writers for Young Adults RC 42366
edited by Donald R. Gallo
read by Gary Tipton
2 cassettes
Collection of stories about young men

and women involved in a variety of sports. In Jim Naughton's "Joyriding," pudgy piano student Peter Whitney decides he can learn something about winning from the boy who practices cross-country running in his neighborhood. Instead, Peter passes on some valuable tips of his own. For junior and senior high readers. 1995.

The Voyage RC 42369
by David Drake
read by Gary Tipton
3 cassettes
Looking for adventure, young Ned Slade signs on with a tough crew of mercenaries led by pretty, capable Lissea Doormann. Lissea, who is determined to win back her standing as head of the powerful Doormann clan of Telaria, arms her ship and sets off with her crew on a mission to recover a priceless artifact from the far end of the galaxy. True to expectations, they encounter danger and plenty of battle action along the way. Strong language and violence. 1994.

Ho-Ho Homicide RC 42373
by Corinne Holt Sawyer
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
Murder at Camden-sur-Mer, a California retirement home. Large Caledonia Wingate and tiny Angela Benbow of *Murder by Owl Light (RC 40500)* get another chance to help Lieutenant Martinez. The body of fellow resident Beatrice Benton was found among the lower branches of the lobby Christmas tree. Beatrice had been nicknamed Birdy for her habit of feeding wild birds. Could her messy flock have caused someone to kill her? 1995.

Eagle Station RC 42374
by Mark Berent
read by Roy Avers
3 cassettes
Loyalty stemming from their days at the Air Force Academy in the 1950s unites the men as they fight in Vietnam in 1968. Ken Tanaka and Court Bannister fly their F-4s on dangerous missions over Laos. Manuel Dominguez is a rescue jumper whose daring helps him forget the injustice of his dismissal from the academy. Sequel to *Phantom Leader (RC 37713)*. Strong language, violence, and some descriptions of sex. 1992.

The Case of the Dead Winner: A Father Dowling Mystery for Young Adults RC 42394
by Ralph McInerny
read by Nick Sullivan
1 cassette
Retired professor Mrs. Mortimer, a regular at St. Hillary's parish center, hires Carl, the twelve-year-old son of parish director Edna Hospers, to do odd jobs at her home. When Mrs. Mortimer's estranged daughter appears with an unsavory boyfriend in tow, Mrs. Mortimer has Carl hide the key to her late gambler husband's safe-deposit box. For junior and senior high readers. 1995.

An Echo in the Darkness: Mark of the Lion, Volume 2 RC 42396
by Francine Rivers
read by John Horton
3 cassettes
Marcus, believing he saw Hadassah die in the arena of lions, has become a bitter man and is unable to forgive his sister Julia for her part in Hadassah's death. But Hadassah lives. Hiding behind a veil and now known as Rapha,

she uses her faith to heal others. But can her faith sustain her as she is called upon to help the very person who sent her to her death? Sequel to *A Voice in the Wind (RC 42380)*. 1994.

The Stories of Vladimir Nabokov RC 42397
by Vladimir Nabokov
read by Gordon Gould
6 cassettes
Sixty-five short stories taken from four earlier collections and including thirteen first-time English translations by Nabokov's son, Dmitri. These stories, arranged chronologically, were written from the early 1920s to the mid-1950s, when Nabokov abandoned the short story form for the novel. Known for employing psychological and linguistic twists, he explores such themes as loss, illusion, and bizarre aspects of human nature. 1995.

Night of the Wolf: The Gunsmith RC 42400
by J.R. Roberts
read by J.P. Linton
1 cassette
Outside Molasses, Montana, Clint Adams (the Gunsmith) finds the body of a man with his throat ripped out and wolf tracks nearby. Further down the road, Adams finds another man lying in the snow. In town Adams learns that the second man, Ned Holt, has had a series of spells. The gypsies have made him believe that he is turning into a werewolf, and Ned's sister wants Adams to prove them wrong. Strong language, some violence, and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

All Souls' Rising RC 42403
by Madison Smartt Bell
read by Frank Coffee
4 cassettes
Set in the slave rebellion of eighteenth-century colonial Haiti. The French doctor, Hébert, is the guide on a relentless journey through a world of political chaos, brutal conflict, and mind-numbing torture. Former slave Toussaint serves as a force of reason amid the horror. Explicit descriptions of sex and violence. 1995.

The Mystery of Swordfish Reef: An Inspector Napoleon Bonaparte Mystery RC 42405
by Arthur W. Upfield
read by Graeme Malcolm
2 cassettes
On a calm October day, Bill Spinks and Bob Garroway set out with Mr. Ericson on the *Do-me* for a day of fishing off the coast of Australia. They do not return. Weeks later, a trawler comes into port looking for the sheriff. It has an unusual cargo on board—a severed head with a bullet hole. Inspector Napoleon Bonaparte gets involved because Mr. Ericson is retired from New Scotland Yard. 1943.

Rama Revealed RC 42410
by Arthur C. Clarke and Gentry Lee
read by John Stratton
4 cassettes
Condemned to death by the dictator who seized control of the human habitat of Rama, Nicole Wakefield escapes to rejoin her husband across the Cylindrical Sea. Here they encounter the octospiders and other alien species inhabiting Rama, the vast spacecraft carrying both humans and aliens to an ultimate destiny. Sequel to *The Garden of Rama*

(RC 34359). Strong language and explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

A City Not Forsaken: Cheney Duvall, M.D., Volume 3 RC 42412
by Lynn and Gilbert Morris
read by Suzanne Toren
2 cassettes
After her difficult experiences in Arkansas, Cheney returns to New York with her nurse, Shiloh. Cheney plans to enter private practice with Dr. Devlin Buchanan, who is en route from London. But there is cholera on his ship, and all are quarantined. When cholera spreads into the city, Cheney must decide if she wants to treat the rich or return to helping the poor. Sequel to *Shadow of the Mountains (RC 42381)*. 1995.

As Sure as the Dawn: Mark of the Lion, Volume 3 RC 42413
by Francine Rivers
read by John Horton
3 cassettes
Once again Hadassah awaits death in the cells below the arena. As she waits, Hadassah is visited by Atretes, and she tells him that his son by Julia still lives. Atretes is told to go to John, who has given the son to a young widow named Rizpah. Atretes is reunited with his son, but in order to keep him alive, Atretes must also accept Rizpah into his life. Sequel to *An Echo in the Darkness (RC 42396)*. 1995.

Shadow of the Dragon RC 42420
by Sherry Garland
read by Jamie Horton
2 cassettes
Danny Vo's family moved from Vietnam to America ten years ago when he was six, and he considers himself fully Americanized. Danny's older cousin Sang Le is just arriving in America to live with Danny's family. While Danny romances Tiffany Schultz, Sang Le falls in with the Vietnamese gang Danny has avoided. But it is Danny who is in danger when Tiffany's skinhead brother learns who she is dating. For junior and senior high readers. 1993.

Happy Days, Uncle Sergio RC 42424
by Magali García Ramis
read by Gabriella Cavallero
1 cassette
As Lidia grows into womanhood in Puerto Rico in the 1950s, the country also matures, becoming more industrialized and politicized. Lidia and her brother live in a household of women until the mysterious Uncle Sergio arrives home from New York. He introduces the children to art, stamps, and a broader view of life, helping Lidia as she grows up. Translated by Carmen C. Esteves. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1995.

The Banishment: Being the First Volume of the Daughters of Mannerling RC 42437
by Marion Chesney
read by Yvonne Fair Tessler
1 cassette
In Regency England, Isabella, the eldest of six Beverley daughters, is disappointed to have gone through the London season without becoming engaged. The men were bored by her only interest: Mannerling, the family mansion. When her father gambles away the home, the Beverleys, banished to poorer surroundings, all agree Isabella must marry Mannerling's new owner to reclaim their wealth. 1995.

The Deception: Being the Third Volume of the Daughters of Mannerling
RC 42439
by Marion Chesney
read by Yvonne Fair Tessler
2 cassettes
In nineteenth-century England, after their two older sisters fail to regain the family's gambled-away mansion through marriage in *The Banishment (RC 42437)* and *The Intrigue (RC 42438)*, twins Abigail and Rachel have their chance at winning over the cruel son of Mannerling's current owner. But not if their governess, Miss Trumble, and a lord smitten with Abigail have any say in the matter. 1996.

Rob Roy RC 42490
by Sir Walter Scott
read by George Holmes
5 cassettes (Reissue)
First published in 1817. In eighteenth-century England, when the poetic Frank Osbaldistone refuses to enter the family business, he is banished to his uncle's home. There he learns he has falsely been named an outlaw by his corrupt cousin because they love the same woman. Jacobite outlaw Rob Roy helps Frank clear his name. Some violence. 1995.

Horace RC 42526
by George Sand
read by Steven Carpenter
3 cassettes
Set in 1832 Paris during the time of the student rebellion, this story, written in the 1840s, was so scandalous that Sand's editor refused to publish it. The story involves Horace, a young law student up from the provinces, who is amazed at the opportunities Paris offers him; Marthe, a barmaid with whom Horace falls in love, yet almost ruins when he gets her pregnant; and the narrator, a medical student who befriends Horace. 1995.

Grave Music: An Inspector Bill Slider Mystery RC 42538
by Cynthia Harrod-Eagles
read by Anne Flosnik
2 cassettes
The murder of the pompous conductor of the Royal London Philharmonic presents many possible suspects for Inspector Bill Slider. The investigation also brings Slider's lost love, Joanna, back into his life. An ever-twisting plot with wry British humor. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1994.

The Oath RC 42541
by Frank Peretti
read by Mary Kane
3 cassettes
Biologist Steve Benson arrives in rural Hyde River to investigate his brother's gruesome death, which officials attribute to a rogue bear. But when an old hermit reveals the unspeakable sin that has haunted the town for a century, Steve vows to seek out and confront the evil monster that killed his brother. 1995.

The Love Talker RC 42543
by Elizabeth Peters
read by Margaret Strom
2 cassettes
Both Laurie and her brother Doug receive disturbing letters from seventy-five-year-old Aunt Ida in rural Maryland. It seems that Aunt Lizzie, seventy, is seeing fairies in the woods. When Laurie and Doug arrive, they find that Aunt Lizzie actually has pictures—

proof there is something out there. 1980.

Assault at Selonia: Star Wars Corellian Trilogy, Book 2 RC 42545
by Roger MacBride Allen
read by Chuck Benson
2 cassettes
The corrupt Human League, led by Thrackan Sal-Solo, the evil cousin of Han Solo, has revolted against the New Republic and taken over the planet Corellia. Han Solo, who has been imprisoned by his cousin, joins forces with an alien Selonian in a bid to escape to the planet Selonia and warn Leia, Luke Skywalker, and Lando Calrissian of Thrackan's plan to seize control of the galaxy. Sequel to *Ambush at Corellia (RC 41492)*. 1995.

Fool's Puzzle RC 42552
by Earlene Fowler
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Recently widowed Benni Harper has moved to San Celina County, California, to become curator for a folk museum and overseer of the artists' cooperative connected to it. Returning to the museum late one night, Benni sees her cousin Rita hurrying away and discovers the body of an artist. 1994.

Irish Chain RC 42553
by Earlene Fowler
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Benni Harper, curator of the San Celina folk museum, is preparing for a needlework exhibit and also planning a "senior prom" for folks at the local retirement home. On the night of the dance, Benni finds herself faced with an old boyfriend and the bodies of two elderly residents. 1995.

The Eyes of Darkness RC 42555
by Dean Koontz
read by Ray Foushee
2 cassettes
A year after Las Vegas show director Tina Evans's twelve-year-old son, Danny, dies in a bus crash, the phrase "not dead" appears repeatedly in mysterious ways. Tina and her attorney friend, Elliot Stryker, are drawn into a deadly chase when they want Danny's body exhumed. Strong language, violence, and some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1981.

The Protection of Love RC 42559
by Barbara Cartland
read by Jill Fox
1 cassette
In 1887 after her parents die, Meta Lindley is very bored and lonely at her family home in the English countryside. Her brother, who, like their father, has gone on secret missions for the queen, has a suggestion. A minor Russian prince and his sister are arriving in England. To determine if the prince is a spy, Meta, fluent in Russian, can volunteer to teach the sister English while renting them the Lindley home. 1995.

Jumping the Nail RC 42570
by Eve Bunting
read by Carole Jordan Stewart
1 cassette
Shortly after Dru's high school graduation in La Paloma, California, Elisa and Scooter, a couple from Dru's class, decide to jump the Nail, a deep, narrow gorge where thrill-seekers fall from the cliffs into the ocean below. Dru's concern about Elisa's surviving the stunt mentally and physically turns to alarm when terrified Elisa describes being held under water by a girl previously

drowned there. For junior and senior high readers. 1991.

Bible Stories for Adults RC 42572
by James Morrow
read by Ray Foushee
2 cassettes
Twelve witty and sardonic tales based on stories from legend, history, and the Bible. One such tale revises the biblical story of the deluge to have Noah rescue a prostitute who proceeds to revive the evils that God intended to destroy. Strong language and descriptions of sex. 1996.

Dancing after Hours: Stories RC 42573
by Andre Dubus
read by John Polk
2 cassettes
Fourteen short stories by an award-winning author. Major disappointments and hardships face the characters. Some find a sense of joy in their survival; others know a sense of satisfaction. Some just survive. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1996.

The Pecos River: Rivers West RC 42587
by Frederic Bean
read by Roy Avers
2 cassettes
Weary of the sea and ill with a lung disease, Buck Wallace sets out to spend the rest of his life trapping along the Pecos River. Despite stories he hears of savage Comanches there, he does not fear death and wants to live in peace among the Indians. The brutality of life he finds is tempered by his unexpected love of Asa, a beautiful Kiowa woman. Violence and some descriptions of sex. 1995.

Trial by Fire RC 42599
by Nancy Taylor Rosenberg
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
Dallas prosecutor Stella Cataloni finds herself accused not only of setting the fire that killed her parents but also of murdering her accuser and former flame Tom Randall. Stella must overcome the wily efforts of district attorney Holly Oppenheimer—a friend turned adversary—to prove her innocence. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1996.

The Knocker on Death's Door RC 42634
by Ellis Peters
read by Graeme Malcolm
2 cassettes
Set in a small remote English village near the Welsh border, this mystery begins with the dedication of what is supposed to be the original door of the village church. Inspector George Felse is called when a photographer is found dead at the door. 1970.

Sacrifice of Isaac RC 42636
by Neil Gordon
read by Annie Wauters
3 cassettes
Luke Benami goes to Jerusalem on the death of his father, a high Israeli official and a hero of World War II, only to learn that his expatriate older brother, Danni, has sent word that he expects a son's share of the inheritance. Luke's search for Danni takes him to Paris and to a shadowy world of mystery, deception, and murder. 1995.

Dance for the Dead RC 42659
by Thomas Perry
read by Mary Woods
2 cassettes
Jane Whitefield plies her uncommon specialty of helping people in trouble to disappear and start new lives. She saves the life of an eight-year-old boy from murderers set on plundering his trust account. Her second client is a savings-and-loan scam artist being pursued by security agents for an ill-gotten $50 million. 1996.

The Dogs of War RC 42670
by Frederick Forsyth
read by David Hartley-Margolin
3 cassettes (Reissue)
A minute-by-minute account of a coup involving the takeover of Zangaro, an emergent African state. Cat Shannon, a tough, cool mercenary leader, is up against Sir James Manson, a shrewd London money manipulator. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1974.

The Examination RC 42676
by Malcolm Bosse
read by David Hartley-Margolin
2 cassettes
Set in China during the Ming Dynasty, this story follows two brothers on their arduous journey from Chengdu to Beijing. Older brother Chen, the gifted scholar, is on his way to take the palace examination, accompanied by Hong, his loyal and brave younger brother. Along the way, they encounter a host of obstacles—pirates, floods, famine—and each brother carries a secret message. Some violence. For junior and senior high readers. 1994.

Skeleton Crew RC 42678
by Stephen King
read by Jim Zeiger
4 cassettes
Stories primarily collected from magazines, written by a master of horror. Includes such tales as "The Jaunt," a science fiction horror hybrid; "The Monkey," a familiar tale of a demonic toy; and "Big Wheels," a humorous and macabre account set in rural Maine. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1985.

Recessional RC 42695
by James A. Michener
read by Jim Zeiger
4 cassettes
After some personal and career setbacks, physician Andy Zorn is hired to revitalize the Palms, a lagging retirement community in Tampa. Residents and staff of the Palms all have stories to tell, and some have major challenges to confront. 1994.

Runestone RC 42697
by Don Coldsmith
read by Jim Zeiger
4 cassettes
The tale of an early-eleventh-century Norse expedition that provokes an attack by Indians along the St. Lawrence River. Only two explorers survive, along with their Indian guide, nicknamed Odin. The three men brave a perilous inland trek to Odin's village, where the Norsemen confront a strange and alien civilization. Violence. 1995.

Death of a Dude: A Nero Wolfe Mystery RC 42699
by Rex Stout
read by Jim Zeiger
2 cassettes (Reissue)
When a detective's friend is accused of

shooting a guest at a Montana dude ranch, the detective refuses to leave without solving the case. Nero Wolfe joins his assistant in the Wild West. 1969.

Rose RC 42707
by Martin Cruz Smith
read by John Horton
2 cassettes
Set in mid-nineteenth-century Victorian England in the mining town of Wigan, this story involves Jonathan Blair, an American explorer. Blair agrees to help coal baron Bishop Hannay find his daughter's fiancé, who disappeared on the same day that an explosion in one of Hannay's coal mines killed seventy-six people. Bestseller 1996.

Cause of Death RC 42716
by Patricia Cornwell
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
Dr. Kay Scarpetta, chief medical examiner for the commonwealth of Virginia, is covering for an absent deputy when she is informed of a drowning. The victim is a reporter Scarpetta knew, and soon she, her niece, and her police captain friend are drawn into a deadly investigation. Some strong language and some violence. Bestseller 1996.

Tobacco Sticks RC 42733
by William Elliott Hazelgrove
read by Robert Sams
2 cassettes
A Southern coming-of-age tale set in 1945, as the established order is beset by organized labor, new politics, and racial tension. In the poignant courtroom climax, a lonely man of conscience confronts bigotry and injustice. 1995.

Special Victims RC 42738
by Nick Gaitano
read by Steven Carpenter
2 cassettes
Rogue cop Tony Tulio bucks police corruption and the Chicago mob as he stalks the Collector, a contract killer of unwilling organ donors. When Tulio vies with a rich art gallery owner for the favors of a sexy district attorney, he makes a startling break in the case. Strong language and some violence. 1994.

Answer My Prayer RC 42740
by Sid Hite
read by Madelyn Buzzard
1 cassette
As the horse-drawn wagon nears the village of Valerton in the mythical kingdom of Korasan, Lydia grows more excited about her first dance. A brief encounter with the handsome carver Alderson Hale stirs her imagination long after she returns home. But her prayers about the elusive artist quickly give way to pleas for protection of her father's guild, which is threatened by the greed of the regent. For junior and senior high readers. 1995.

Her Own Rules RC 42741
by Barbara Taylor Bradford
read by Ann Hodapp
2 cassettes
Meredith Stratton, successful owner of six international inns with plans for two more in Europe, is a happy mother with two children, one of whom is about to be engaged. But the fulfillment of Meredith's dreams is overshadowed by a fatiguing illness and visions of her lost childhood. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1996.

Hey, Cowboy, Wanna Get Lucky?
RC 42742
by Baxter Black
read by Ray Foushee
2 cassettes
Two wild cowboys on the rodeo circuit, Cody and Lick, might be far from making the National Finals, but they are champions at living the cowboy life. Writing with humor and earthiness, the author, a cowboy poet and large-animal veterinarian, promises "sex, violence, intrigue, and the occasional philosophical observation," in this, his first novel. Strong language, violence, and some descriptions of sex. 1994.

Missing: A Harry Stoner Novel
RC 42743
by Jonathan Valin
read by David Palmer
2 cassettes
Private detective and former cop Harry Stoner is hired by Cindy Dorn to find her lover, Mason Greenleaf. The bisexual teacher has been missing for a few days. When leads indicate Greenleaf is helping a sick friend, Dorn drops the search. But Greenleaf's corpse is found in a hotel, and Stoner must determine what caused the apparent suicide. Strong language, some violence, and some descriptions of sex. 1995.

***Bloodchild* and Other Stories RC 42749**
by Octavia E. Butler
read by Carole Jordan Stewart
1 cassette
Short works by the author of *Parable of the Sower (RC 39777)*. The title story, winner of the Hugo and Nebula awards for science fiction, tells of a horrified man, who, because of love, agrees to carry the devouring eggs and larvae of an extraterrestrial being. The collection includes three other science fiction pieces, a general short story, and two essays. The author, known for her feminist and racial themes, gives tips on getting published. 1995.

Say No to Murder: A Jenny Cain Mystery
RC 42751
by Nancy Pickard
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
A member of the committee on renovating Liberty Harbor, Jenny Cain investigates the murder of the construction foreman to learn why the project is being sabotaged. Although her detective boyfriend is on the case, Jenny urgently seeks her own answers after a second sinister murder. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1985.

Stress RC 42752
by Loren D. Estleman
read by Ray Foushee
2 cassettes
It is New Year's Eve 1972 when a Detroit cop moonlighting at a posh party shoots and kills three intruders. On the case is officer Charlie Battle, who knows the department is protecting its own yet doggedly pursues the truth up to the startling courtroom climax. Companion to *Edsel (RC 40817)*. Strong language and descriptions of sex. 1996.

Going Native RC 42772
by Stephen Wright
read by Ray Foushee
3 cassettes
One day Wylie Jones decides to leave his suburban wife and family, steal his neighbor's car, and set out on a cross-country American joyride. Wylie's surreal adventure includes encounters with a murderous hitchhiker, several porno-

graphic film stars, and the proprietor of a Las Vegas wedding chapel. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1994.

The Debt to Pleasure RC 42788
by John Lanchester
read by Steven Carpenter
2 cassettes
Englishman Tarquin Winot, whose spiritual home is France, considers himself a chef and scholar. As he drives through France to his home in Provence, Winot treats us to recipes for some of his favorite dishes and reveals a sinister side to his nature. Bestseller 1996.

Notorious RC 42793
by Janet Dailey
read by Michele Schaeffer
3 cassettes
Eden Rossiter is struggling to hold on to Spur Ranch, just north of Friendly, Nevada. Her neighbor wants the ranch as retribution for the death of his brother, a death for which he blames Rossiter. She finds an ally in a newcomer who develops an interest in more than just saving her ranch. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1996.

The Duke RC 42797
by Catherine Coulter
read by Corrie James
2 cassettes
Ian Carmichael, Duke of Portmaine, has also just become Earl of Penderleigh and plans to travel to Scotland to visit his recently inherited property. His fiancée, Lady Felicity, is less than pleased at his departure during the London season, but Ian relishes the chance to escape. Yet he is unprepared for the people and problems he encounters when he reaches Penderleigh Castle. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1981.

How Stella Got Her Groove Back RC 42803
by Terry McMillan
read by Gail Nelson
2 cassettes
Forty-two-year-old Stella Payne, a successful, divorced black woman, decides on impulse to go to Jamaica while her son is visiting his father. Not expecting romance, Stella is shocked to be wooed by a twenty-year-old Jamaican student and even more surprised to find herself falling in love. Strong language and explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1996.

The Statement RC 42804
by Brian Moore
read by Robert Blumenfeld
2 cassettes
Seventy-year-old Pierre Brossard, a former officer in France's Vichy government and a known Nazi collaborator, is wanted for crimes against humanity. He has eluded capture for over forty years, aided by officials in government and the Catholic Church. On his trail, however, is a vigilante group of Holocaust survivors who seek to avenge the dead. Bestseller 1996.

The Fourth Estate RC 42806
by Jeffrey Archer
read by George Holmes
4 cassettes
Richard Armstrong is a European Jew who escaped the Nazis and fled to England. Keith Townsend is the son of a wealthy Australian newspaper publisher. They control competing mass-circulation newspapers in Britain and New York, and each plans to own the largest

media empire in the world. Some strong language. Bestseller 1996.

Tales from a Village School RC 42807
by Miss Read
read by Patricia Kilgarriff
1 cassette
Collection of forty tales from Miss Read's 1920s teaching days in England's rural village schools. 1995.

Slowness RC 42810
by Milan Kundera
read by Robert Blumenfeld
1 cassette
Two sexual encounters in the same French château take place two hundred years apart. Kundera uses the tales to contrast the deliberate pace of eighteenth-century France with contemporary frantic activity and to highlight the ability of memory to savor only what has been experienced at leisure. Strong language and descriptions of sex. 1996.

Together Alone RC 42812
by Barbara Delinsky
read by Barbara Caruso
3 cassettes
As September approaches in a small northeastern town, three women send their last children away to college and begin plans for their future. Kay's husband is more amorous than ever; Celeste, who is divorced, advertises for romance, adventure, and sex; and Emily, whose husband travels, wonders how to fill her empty days. Then Brian, a widower with a young child, rents a room from Emily. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1995.

The Burglar in the Closet: A Bernie Rhodenbarr Mystery RC 42814
by Lawrence Block
read by L.J. Ganser
1 cassette
New York burglar Bernie Rhodenbarr tries to keep his career a secret, but somehow his dentist finds out and wants to hire him. While Bernie is burgling the dentist's ex-wife's apartment, she returns and unknowingly locks Bernie in her closet. After picking his way out, Bernie discovers that the woman has been murdered and the killer has made off with Bernie's loot. Bernie is a prime suspect. Strong language. 1978.

Burglars Can't Be Choosers: A Bernie Rhodenbarr Mystery RC 42815
by Lawrence Block
read by L.J. Ganser
2 cassettes
The first mystery featuring New York burglar Bernie Rhodenbarr. Bernie is commissioned to break into an apartment to steal a blue box, but the police burst in on Bernie before he can find it. The cops are just about to accept Bernie's bribe when they discover the still-warm body of the apartment owner. Bernie has no choice but to flee. From the author of *The Burglar Who Traded Ted Williams (RC 42198)*. Strong language. 1977.

Therapy RC 42816
by David Lodge
read by Graeme Malcolm
2 cassettes
Middle-aged Tubby Passmore is a happily married, successful British sitcom writer who drives the car of his dreams. But he suffers from an angst that none of his many therapists can relieve. Finally, he seeks his peace from the

past by reuniting with his first love. Strong language. 1995.

Bone Deep RC 42821
by David Wiltse
read by Chuck Benson
2 cassettes
As agent John Becker and his friend, Clamden police chief Tee Terhune, search for a serial murderer, they each wrestle with problems in their marriages. Meanwhile the killer is making his future victims fall in love with him. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1995.

The Voyage RC 42827
by Robert MacNeil
read by Chuck Benson
2 cassettes
David Lyon of the Canadian foreign service has just been offered a plum job by the prime minister when another bit of news deflates his mood. Former fashion model Francesca D'Anielli is missing from a rented boat and presumed dead, leaving behind a note to David. David's remembrances of their adulterous affair alternate with scenes from Francesca's time on the boat as she, too, thinks back on her life. Explicit descriptions of sex. 1995.

Resistance RC 42842
by Anita Shreve
read by Gabriella Cavallero
2 cassettes
In 1943 an American B-17 is downed near a village in Nazi-occupied Belgium. At a safe house the injured pilot finds succor and love with an unhappily married woman. Then he is arrested. Fifty years later his betrayer's identity is revealed to his lovechild. 1995.

Telling Time RC 42843
by Austin Wright
read by David Hartley-Margolin
2 cassettes
The Westerly family reunites amid confusion about the elderly father's condition. Did he have a stroke, was he shot intervening in a hostage situation, or both? Through notes, faxes, and letters to each other during the crisis, members share stories and quirks. The most surprising revelations are found in the father's papers after his death. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1995.

Refinements of Love: A Novel about Clover and Henry Adams RC 42848
by Sarah Booth Conroy
read by Jill Ferris
2 cassettes
Fictional diary of Clover Adams, wife of scholar, presidential grandson, and Washington socialite Henry Adams. Her mysterious death by poison in 1885 scandalized the capital city, and this diary based on research chronicles the events that led to her death, proffering a motive that would suggest murder. 1993.

Johanna: A Novel of the van Gogh Family RC 42861
by Claire Cooperstein
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Fictional diary of the sister-in-law of artist Vincent van Gogh, beginning with Johanna's marriage to brother Theo. Recounts Vincent's cutting off his own ear, the birth of Johanna and Theo's son, Vincent's suicide, Theo's decline and death, Johanna's establishment of a boarding house, and her efforts to have Vincent's work acknowledged. 1995.

Reckless Driver RC 42862
by Lisa Vice
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Through a series of vignettes, Lana Franklin looks at her life, from age six to eleven, growing up in 1960s rural Indiana with an older sister. Her father's mental illness affects the entire family, and her mother is self-absorbed. Strong language. 1995.

Plot It Yourself: A Nero Wolfe Mystery RC 42866
by Rex Stout
read by Jim Zeiger
1 cassette (Reissue)
Originally published in 1959. Includes a new introduction by Susan Dunlap. A succession of charges of plagiarism against writers and publishing houses indicates there is evidence beyond blackmail, especially when a murder occurs. 1994.

The Deep End of the Ocean RC 42874
by Jacquelyn Mitchard
read by Barbara Caruso
3 cassettes
While on a trip to Chicago with her three young children, a woman briefly turns away from her three-year-old son in a hotel lobby. The child vanishes, leaving his family anguished and splintered. Nine years later, some hope is rekindled when a familiar-looking boy shows up at their house. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1996.

"M" Is for Malice RC 42875
by Sue Grafton
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
In this sequel to *"L" Is for Lawless (RC 40689)*, private detective Kinsey Millhone is hired to locate a missing person. Years ago, as a young drug and alcohol abuser, Guy Malek left home in disgrace. Now his father has died, and Guy's brothers are outraged to learn Guy is still in the will. Some strong language and some violence. Bestseller 1996.

The Regulators RC 42876
by Richard Bachman
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
3 cassettes
After autistic six-year-old Seth Garon's family is murdered, he goes to live with relatives in a placid Ohio suburb. Mayhem erupts when the alien Tak, who inhabits Seth's body, emerges to attack the neighborhood with a bizarre force of violent, cartoonish creatures. Companion to *Desperation (RC 43098)*, written under the name Stephen King. Strong language and violence. Bestseller 1996.

Alias Grace RC 42878
by Margaret Atwood
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
3 cassettes
A fictional portrait of Grace Marks, a sixteen-year-old Canadian domestic who was convicted in the murder of her employer and his mistress in 1843. In prison, Grace is hypnotized by a psychiatrist to help her recall the murders and reveal whether she is a monster or a victim. Violence and descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1996.

The Mamur Zapt and the Men Behind: A Suspense Tale of Old Cairo RC 42884
by Michael Pearce
read by Patrick Horgan
2 cassettes
Cairo, Egypt, 1909. The khedive is taking his time in naming a new prime

minister. Meanwhile someone shoots at a customs agent, and violence erupts in the bazaars. As if that's not enough, David Cadwallader Owen, the mamur zapt, or head of Cairo's secret police, must also contend with increasing reports of civil servants being followed. 1991.

Yolk: Short Stories RC 42889
by Josip Novakovich
read by Ed Blake
2 cassettes
Croatian-born author combines the tone of folktales with wit and realism. Daily life in Croatia is depicted in an unromanticized but affectionate manner in seventeen stories. In "The Burning Clog," a man returning from America learns that his favorite storyteller got his stories from library books and war experiences, not from oral tradition. Some violence and some descriptions of sex. 1995.

The Best of O. Henry RC 42891
by O. Henry
read by Gordon Gould
2 cassettes
Twenty-six short stories, originally published in the *New York World* newspaper, about city life in the early 1900s. Includes such well-known tales as "Gift of the Magi" and less familiar ones, such as "Memories of a Yellow Dog." While their themes vary, the stories share O. Henry's incisive humor, irony, and pathos. 1978.

In the Loyal Mountains RC 42901
by Rick Bass
read by Gregory Gorton
1 cassette
Ten stories depicting people living close to nature in Montana and the deep South. In the title story, a man recounts his youthful escapades with his adventurous uncle in the Texas hill country. Other stories deal with human isolation or conflict, but all are told against the backdrop of the environment. 1995.

The Day RC 42903
by Douglas Hobbie
read by Mary Kane
2 cassettes
The day is Thanksgiving 1991, and Jack and Gwen Fletcher are spending the holiday with her smug, wealthy New England family. Jack seems to be the only one to recollect the suicide of Gwen's sister—Jack's soul mate—just one year earlier. The day's events unfold to reveal a tragic family portrait. Strong language. 1993.

Swan Road RC 42907
by Rebecca Brandewyne
read by Michele Schaeffer
3 cassettes
Princess Rhowenna of Usk awakens many times from a nightmare in which her beloved is slain by a warrior who arrives on a red-sailed ship. But she is afraid to tell anyone, lest they think her a witch. Now, standing at the cliff's edge, Rhowenna knows her destiny has arrived. Violence and some descriptions of sex. 1994.

The Yellow Admiral RC 42910
by Patrick O'Brian
read by Graeme Malcolm
2 cassettes
This sequel to *The Commodore (RC 39897)* finds Jack Aubrey ashore in England. Beset by lawsuits, debts, and political disputes, he also faces forced retirement from the navy. Friend Stephen Maturin, surgeon, secures them both posts with the Chilean navy, just as Napoleon escapes from Elba—

and Aubrey is urgently recalled to active service. Bestseller 1996.

Heart of War: Loss of Eden, Volume 2
RC 42912
by John Masters
read by John Horton
5 cassettes
In this sequel to *Now, God Be Thanked (RC 14560)*, it is 1916 and President Wilson has committed an isolationist America to battle in the trenches of Europe. Meanwhile, four disparate English families are beset by the turmoil of war and the sacrifices it demands. Some strong language and descriptions of sex. 1980.

Pride of Lions RC 42914
by Morgan Llywelyn
read by Terry Donnelly
3 cassettes
In this sequel to *Lion of Ireland (RC 17081)*, Donough, Brian Boru's son, vies for his father's crown after the latter's death in 1014. Plotting against Donough, however, is his formidable mother, Gormlaith, who was exiled by Boru. And Donough must choose between his bride, Neassa, and Cera the druid, of whom the church staunchly disapproves. Some descriptions of sex. 1996.

Lord Grizzly: Buckskin Man Tales, Volume 2 RC 42917
by Frederick Manfred
read by J.P. Linton
3 cassettes (Reissue)
This story, originally published in 1954, tells of a mountain man's agonizing adventure in hostile Indian country in the early 1800s. Deserted and left to die, he drags his broken body across two hundred miles of wilderness in search of revenge. Sequel to *Conquering Horse (RC 11401)*. Some violence. 1983.

Ain't Gonna Be the Same Fool Twice
RC 42921
by April Sinclair
read by Gail Nelson
2 cassettes
Stevie is a young African American woman coming to terms with her sexual and racial identity in the 1970s. A trip to San Francisco becomes a journey of self-discovery as she explores feminist perspectives and lesbian relationships. Sequel to *Coffee Will Make You Black (RC 40187)*. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1996.

An Open Weave RC 42922
by Devorah Major
read by Connie Winston
2 cassettes
Imani turns seventeen today. Her mother, grandmother, and extended family want to celebrate, but Imani has not come home. Although she knows the family is waiting, Imani chooses to stay with her best friend, Amanda, who is pregnant and has no one else to turn to. While the family tells stories of the past, Imani helps Amanda cope with the present. 1995.

Under the Domim Tree RC 42926
by Gila Almagor
read by Suzanne Toren
1 cassette
Autobiographical novel about young girls growing up in a youth village in Israel. Most of the children were orphaned in the Holocaust in Europe. Now teenagers, they wrestle with their own identities and coming adulthood. Aviya, a Sabra, seeks answers about her father's death. For junior and senior high readers. 1995.

Straitjacket and Tie RC 42956
by Eugene Stein
read by Steven Carpenter
2 cassettes
Philip Rosenbaum has just finished his freshman year at college when he has a psychotic breakdown. Philip's brother Bert, sixteen, has doubts about his sexual orientation. Later when Bert gets a job and moves to Manhattan, he finds himself attracted to both a female and a male coworker, and then he is visited by aliens. Bert begins to wonder if he too is becoming psychotic. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1994.

The Rotary Club Murder Mystery RC 42961
by Graham Landrum
read by Margaret Strom
2 cassettes
The district governor of the Rotary Club is found shot in his locked hotel room the day he is to give his annual speech in Borderville, Virginia-Tennessee. Because of her success in solving *The Famous DAR Murder Mystery (RC 42097)*, the Rotary Club members offer to pay eighty-eight-year-old Harriet Bushrow's expenses if she'll investigate his death. 1993.

The Last Integrationist RC 42965
by Jake Lamar
read by Bob Moore
3 cassettes
A political tale set in a racially divided America. Conservative U.S. Attorney General Melvin Hutchinson, an African American espousing public executions and other harsh crime measures, is on the verge of being named vice president. But party leaders have a private agenda, and Hutchinson has a potentially explosive secret. Some strong language. 1996.

Partners in Crime RC 42971
by Agatha Christie
read by Anne Flosnik
2 cassettes (Reissue)
A series of twenty-three light parodies about the vicissitudinous lives of Tommy and Tuppence Beresford since they took over an international detective agency. No one can say the Beresfords were not warned. But they are confident in the knowledge gleaned from reading every detective novel published in the past decade. 1929.

Floaters RC 42976
by Joseph Wambaugh
read by L.J. Ganser
2 cassettes
The America's Cup comes to San Diego, and Ambrose Lutterworth, the Keeper of the Cup, plots with prostitute Blaze Duvall to sabotage New Zealand's yacht. Duvall's suspicious behavior gets the attention of a pair of water cops. Then, on the eve of the race, Duvall and another hooker are found dead. Strong language and descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1996.

The Piper on the Mountain RC 42977
by Ellis Peters
read by Graeme Malcolm
2 cassettes
Dominic Felse, son of Inspector George Felse, has plans for a European trip with friends, including Tossa Terrell. But what should have been a holiday turns into a hunt for the murderer of Tossa's father, Herbert, a mountain climber who supposedly falls during an expedition. 1966.

Idoru RC 42981
by William Gibson
read by Christopher Hurt
2 cassettes
In near-future Tokyo, Colin Laney is hired to sleuth the pending marriage of pop-singer Rez to an "idoru," or hologram image. Laney uses his unique talent to discern patterns within vast sets of "nodal points" and encounters smugglers, the Russian Mafia, and high-tech intrigue. Strong language and violence. 1996.

Haveli RC 42984
by Suzanne Fisher Staples
read by Yolande Bavan
2 cassettes
Continues the story begun in *Shabanu: Daughter of the Wind (RC 32145)*. Shabanu and her young daughter are never safe from the cruelty within Rahim's family. Hoping for a better future, she begs to go with Rahim to his ancestral home in Lahore. But even there she remains in danger. For junior and senior high readers. 1993.

***Love among the Haystacks* and Other Stories RC 42986**
by D.H. Lawrence
read by Graeme Malcolm
1 cassette
The title story, set in the English countryside, depicts two brothers, both fiercely shy of women and jealous of one another, who learn the pleasures of love. The other five tales are about a wonderfully preserved woman of seventy-two, a man who loved his neighbor's wife, a child who goes mad with the thought of becoming rich, a man who wants to be alone on an island, and a resurrection in Jerusalem. 1930.

The Trial of Elizabeth Cree: A Novel of the Limehouse Murders RC 42987
by Peter Ackroyd
read by George Holmes
2 cassettes
In a squalid London neighborhood in 1880, brutal murders are suspected by some to be the work of a mythical "golem." But John Cree's diary reveals otherwise after his wife, Elizabeth, is executed for his murder. Karl Marx and other thinkers of the period become involved in the case. Violence. 1994.

Death of a Nag: A Hamish Macbeth Mystery RC 42989
by M.C. Beaton
read by John Horton
1 cassette
On holiday to forget his troubles, Scottish constable Hamish Macbeth himself becomes a murder suspect. Another guest at the third-rate boardinghouse, an abusive husband, turns up dead after being punched in the nose by Hamish. But other guests have grudges against the nagging husband, and Hamish begins sleuthing. 1995.

The Camelot Caper RC 42990
by Elizabeth Peters
read by Barbara Caruso
2 cassettes
Jessica Tregarth has come to England to visit her grandfather, and at his request has brought along an antique ring that had belonged to her father. As soon as Jessica arrives, someone tries to steal her suitcase, and while she is visiting Salisbury Cathedral, the same person attacks her, demanding she hand over the ring. 1969.

At Home with the Glynns: The Personal History, Adventures, Experiences, and Observations of Peter Leroy (Continued)
RC 42994
by Eric Kraft
read by Christopher Hurt
1 cassette
Peter Leroy, almost twelve, is captivated by the twin daughters of the neighboring Glynns, but his first task is to gain the confidence of their bohemian parents, an artist and a poet. Peter's involvement in art heightens both his aesthetic and sexual awareness. Sequel to *What a Piece of Work I Am (RC 41170)*. Descriptions of sex. 1995.

Moving House: Stories RC 43003
by Pawel Huelle
read by Robert Blumenfeld
1 cassette
English translations of seven short stories set in modern Poland. Huelle often writes from the perspective of childhood and imbues his stories with a sense of magic realism. In "Snails, Puddles, Rain," a young lad's observations of snails lead to contemplation about faith, death, and the mysteries of life. 1995.

Lieberman's Thief: An Abe Lieberman Mystery RC 43004
by Stuart Kaminsky
read by Richard Davidson
2 cassettes
When he finds the house he carefully cased is occupied after all, George "Pitty-Pitty" Patniks hides in the pantry, leaving his burglar tools in plain sight. But the homeowner is intent on killing his wife and doesn't notice Patniks or his tools—until he has finished. Some violence and some strong language. 1995.

The Emperor's Coloured Coat
RC 43006
by John Biggins
read by Robert Blumenfeld
3 cassettes
In this prequel to *A Sailor of Austria (RC 39418)*, Austrian navy lieutenant Otto Prohaska stumbles on a plot to kill Archduke Ferdinand in 1914. Otto's seniors ignore his warning and post him to China, where he contends with pirates and other sordid types before returning to Vienna and the decaying empire he serves. Violence. 1992.

Ill Wind RC 43008
by Nevada Barr
read by Suzanne Toren
2 cassettes
In this sequel to *A Superior Death (RC 39506)*, widowed park ranger Anna Pigeon has transferred to the Anasazi ruins of Colorado's Mesa Verde National Park. Construction workers are replacing water lines, upsetting historians and possibly Indian spirits, and a high number of tourist medical alerts are occurring. Then Anna's problems increase: an intruder attacks her, and a colleague she has feelings for is murdered. Strong language and some violence. 1995.

Forget Me Not RC 43009
by Shari MacDonald
read by Nona Pipes
2 cassettes
Hayley Buckman, landscape architect, has traveled to England for an internship at Harrington Gardens on the Newhaven estate. Upon arriving she literally runs into the head gardener, Carson Elliott, and is quickly caught up in

the lives of the residents. Then she receives a note warning her to leave. 1996.

Billingsgate Shoal: A Doc Adams Thriller RC 43011
by Rick Boyer
read by J.P. Linton
2 cassettes
When Doc Adams suggests that young diver Allan Hart swim to an apparently stranded boat to see if help is needed, Adams doesn't expect that his friend will turn up dead with a head wound. Guilt drives Adams to try to identify the boat and talk to its owner, but he soon finds himself in danger. Violence and some strong language. Edgar Award winner. 1982.

Like Sisters on the Homefront RC 43031
by Rita Williams-Garcia
read by Melissa Maxwell
1 cassette
At fourteen, Gayle is pregnant for the second time in Jamaica, New York. Her mother takes her for an abortion and then sends Gayle and her young son to stay with the family of Gayle's minister uncle in Georgia. Whining and missing her homegirls, Gayle is disgusted by her straitlaced relatives including her cousin Cookie. But by summer's end, Gayle's whole world has been turned upside down. Some strong language. For junior and senior high readers. 1995.

Damned Strong Love: The True Story of Willi G. and Stefan K. RC 43032
by Lutz van Dijk
read by Ken Kliban
1 cassette
In this historical novel, Stefan K. was sixteen in 1939 when the Nazis occupied his native Poland. It was then that Stefan realized his homosexuality and began a love affair with a German soldier. The discovery of their liaison led to a brutal prison term, which Stefan barely survived. Strong language and violence. For junior and senior high readers. 1995.

I'm Losing You RC 43042
by Bruce Wagner
read by Carole Jordan Stewart
3 cassettes
A series of vignettes depicting the hip and deviant lives of some of Hollywood's rich and famous power brokers. Features a gallery of celebrities, agents, porn stars, and hangers-on who are engulfed in a culture obsessed with fame and self-gratification. Strong language and explicit descriptions of sex. 1996.

Desert Rain RC 43126
by Elizabeth Lowell
read by Mary Woods
2 cassettes
Holly Shannon North is two women in one body. Holly is an awkward duckling haunted by dreams of Linc McKenzie, a teenage crush. Shannon is a well-known fashion model. Now Holly Shannon North has returned to California, where she grew up. And when her Shannon persona first encounters Linc, sparks fly. Some explicit descriptions of sex. Best-seller 1996.

Dirt RC 43128
by Stuart Woods
read by Chuck Benson
2 cassettes
When gossip columnist Amanda Dart finds herself the victim of scandalous fax messages sent to the national media, she calls in ex-cop Stone Barrington. As the venomous faxes begin to involve other celebrities as well, someone is driven to murder. Strong language, vio-

lence, and descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1996.

The Sensational Music Club Mystery RC 43213
by Graham Landrum
read by Margaret Strom
1 cassette
As the ladies of the Borderville Music Club gather for their annual fashion-show fund-raiser, their emcee, Monica Gaulton, is found murdered. Monica had recently returned and was newly married to a wealthy old man, much to the dismay of his heirs. Now Harriet Gardner Bushrow and her friends from the DAR and the Rotary Club get involved in the case and take turns telling the story. Sequel to *The Rotary Club Murder Mystery (RC 42961)*. 1994.

Timepiece RC 43227
by Richard Paul Evans
read by Barry Bernson
1 cassette
In this prequel to *The Christmas Box (RC 43556)*, David and MaryAnne Parkin of Salt Lake City, 1908, attach special significance to a timepiece that becomes a symbol of the importance of time spent with loved ones. Bestseller 1996.

It's a Matter of Trust RC 43238
by Marcia Byalick
read by Kerry Cundiff
1 cassette
Sixteen-year-old Erika Gresham's father, who monitors student loans for the state of New York, is accused of taking a bribe. As the Greshams try to avoid reporters while awaiting the trial, Erika's anger toward her father grows. For junior and senior high readers. 1995.

Books for Children

Books listed in this issue of *Talking Book Topics* were recently sent to cooperating libraries. The complete collection contains books by many authors on fiction and nonfiction subjects, including animals, geography, nature, mystery, sports, and others. Contact your cooperating library to learn more about the wide range of books available in the collection.

Cassette books are labeled with the code RC and play at 15/16 ips. To order books, fill out the order form and send it to your cooperating library.

Cassettes Nonfiction

Great Lives: American Literature RC 42205
by Doris and Harold Faber
read by Dan Bloom
3 cassettes
Collection of biographical sketches of thirty American writers. Subjects, who include Nobel Prize recipients, are restricted to literary figures no longer alive and whose major works were completed before 1960. They include Edgar Allan Poe, Henry David Thoreau, Ralph Waldo Emerson, Louisa May Alcott, Langston Hughes, Tennessee Williams, and

Pearl Buck. For grades 4-7 and older readers. 1995.

Help! My Teacher Hates Me RC 42351
by Meg F. Schneider
read by Carol Dines
2 cassettes
A guide to taking control of and learning to respect the school experience. The author describes uncomfortable situations that can arise between teachers and students and between students and their classmates and suggests solutions. Topics include grades, cheating, parental expectations, careless teachers, sports, romance, and harassment. For grades 5-8. 1994.

Unconditional Surrender: U.S. Grant and the Civil War RC 42401
by Albert Marrin
read by Ed Blake
2 cassettes
This biography of Ulysses S. Grant covers his role in the Civil War and his time as the president of the United States. But first the author describes how, as a younger career officer, Grant was kicked out of the army for drinking and how he experienced poverty during his "down-and-out years" before the Civil War. Grant's call for the Confederates' unconditional surrender became his nickname and this book's title. For grades 6-9. 1994.

Taking Flight: My Story RC 42431
by Vicki Van Meter
read by Pam Ward
1 cassette
Vicki Van Meter began taking flying lessons in 1992 when she was ten. By twelve she had flown a single-engine plane from Maine to California in three-and-a-half days, accompanied by her instructor because of her age. That same year she set her sights on flying across the Atlantic Ocean on an island-hopping trip. She discusses both flights in detail with added comments from her family, instructors, and friends. For grades 4-7. 1995.

Dear Benjamin Banneker RC 42505
by Andrea Davis Pinkney
read by Camille McCurty Ali
1 cassette
Benjamin Banneker studied late into the night to teach himself science. He decided to use his knowledge of astronomy and weather to publish an almanac to show that black people could study and learn if they were free, as he was. He wrote to Thomas Jefferson about justice and the fact that Jefferson owned slaves. The title of the book is taken from Jefferson's response. For grades 2-4. 1994.

The White House Kids RC 42568
by Rose Blue and Corinne J. Naden
read by Kerry Cundiff
1 cassette
When this book was written, forty different U.S. presidents had lived in the White House, many of them with their families, including children, grandchildren, and other relatives and friends. The authors talk about what it was like for the "kids" in these families. The first White House child was Susan Adams, granddaughter of John Adams. The last child discussed is Chelsea Clinton. For grades 4-7. 1995.

Sweet Dreams of the Wild: Poems for Bedtime RC 42581
by Rebecca Kai Dotlich
read by Jill Fox
1 cassette
Poems that explain to a sleepy child where different kinds of animals go to

bed. A hummingbird sleeps in a teacup-sized nest, a turtle rests on a moss-covered log, sheep nap in the open countryside, and all "cuddle up tight with sweet dreams of the wild." For preschool-grade 2. 1996.

Diabetes RC 42582
by Alvin Silverstein and others
read by Butch Hoover
1 cassette
Discusses the two types of diabetes—type I, which is found mostly in children, teens, and young adults, and type II, which is found mainly in obese middle-aged and older adults. The authors provide a brief history and discuss causes, diagnosis, treatment, and prevention of this metabolic disorder. Includes glossary and bibliography. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 1994.

Circus RC 42593
by Jack Prelutsky
read by David Palmer
1 cassette (Reissue)
The sights and sounds, thrills and fun of the circus are captured in verse—the tumbling tumblers, the marching monkey band, the famed sword-swallower, the great fire-eater, and others. For grades K-3. 1974.

A Boy Named Boomer RC 42594
by Boomer Esiason
read by Brian Conn
1 cassette
Esiason, a National Football League quarterback, tells some of his childhood memories. He describes learning to catch a football, going fishing on his birthday, planting a tree for his father on Father's Day, and building a fort with his friends. High interest, low vocabulary. For grades K-3. 1995.

Zoos RC 42618
by Diane Yancey
read by Carol Dines
1 cassette
History of the ways animals have been collected and kept beginning in ancient times. Shows how zoos have changed from exotic amusements for the rich to natural-habitat parks. For grades 5-8. 1995.

Good Rhymes, Good Times: Original Poems RC 42639
by Lee Bennett Hopkins
read by Pam Ward
1 cassette
Brief poems describe children's joy in the world around them. There is the wonder of what hides behind the museum's door, of being awakened by a puppy tickling your toe, of getting a valentine. There is thunder that splits the sky; there are dreams that creep into your head as you fall asleep. For preschool-grade 2. 1995.

My First Book of Biographies: Great Men and Women Every Child Should Know RC 42684
by Jean Marzollo
read by Jamie Horton
1 cassette
Forty-five short biographies introducing famous men and women from around the world. Includes people with various accomplishments, such as Neil Armstrong, Walt Disney, Helen Keller, Jesse Owens, and Beatrix Potter. For grades 2-4. 1994.

Blueberry Eyes RC 42735
by Monica Driscoll Beatty
read by Mary Kane
1 cassette
Meaghan, now seven, talks about her eye problems: the glasses she has been

wearing since she was four months old, the visits to the eye doctor, wearing a patch to correct her lazy eye, and her trip to the hospital to have her eyes operated on. For grades K-3 and older readers. 1996.

The New Complete Babysitter's Handbook RC 42750
by Carol Barkin and Elizabeth James
read by Carol Dines
1 cassette
A thorough guide to babysitting issues from finding jobs, to activities for the kids, to handling emergencies, to taking care of yourself on the job. Information covers caring for infants, toddlers, and older children. For grades 5-8. 1995.

Falling Up RC 42824
by Shel Silverstein
read by Pam Ward
1 cassette
A collection of brief and humorous poems featuring silly situations and a gallery of zany characters. You will see the world from "a different angle" as you meet the Terrible Toy-Eating Tookle, attend the "Rotten Convention," and visit Hungry Kid Island. For grades 2-4 and older readers. Bestseller 1996.

The Nervous System RC 42887
by Alvin Silverstein and others
read by Ralph Lowenstein
1 cassette
Depicts the structure, organization, and functions of the human nervous system. Maps the sections of the brain and explains their respective roles and activities. Explains common brain-related problems and diseases. For grades 5-7. 1994.

The Persian Gulf War: "The Mother of All Battles" RC 42892
by Zachary Kent
read by Ken Kliban
1 cassette
Kent describes the bombing of Baghdad in January 1991, then gives background information on the war, beginning with the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait in August 1990. Kent then discusses the U.S. involvement through Desert Shield and Desert Storm and the war's economic and ecological effects on Kuwait. For grades 6-9. 1994.

Mother Jones: One Woman's Fight for Labor RC 42905
by Betsy Harvey Kraft
read by Kimberly Schraf
1 cassette
Traces the life of Mary Harris Jones from her childhood in Ireland. Describes her arrival in America, her marriage, the loss of her husband and children, and her crusade for the rights of American laborers, especially children, women, and coal miners. For grades 6-9. 1995.

The Distant Talking Drum: Poems from Nigeria RC 42915
by Isaac Olaleye
read by Robin Miles
1 cassette
Fifteen poems about children that celebrate the sights, sounds, food, and life of a farming village in the rain forest. "Like a stream, / The love / For my village / Flows." For grades 2-5. 1995.

It's Kwanzaa Time! RC 42923
by Linda and Clay Goss
read by Gail Nelson
1 cassette
Collection of stories, songs, and poems celebrating the seven principles of Kwanzaa, an African American obser-

vance based on old African festivals and traditions. Also includes games and recipes. For grades 4-7 and older readers. 1995.

Cassettes Fiction

Moominpappa's Memoirs RC 41676
by Tove Jansson
read by Ed Blake
1 cassette
Moominpappa has a terrible cold, and he has taken to his bed in the northern attic room. While he is there, Moominmamma reasons, he should write his memoirs. So Moominpappa jots down events in his life and pompously reads to the Moomin family about his misunderstood childhood, a meeting with his friend Hodgkins, an ocean voyage that ends in a terrible surprise, and his marriage to Moominmamma. For grades 4-7. 1994.

The Borrowers Afloat RC 42267
by Mary Norton
read by Kerry Cundiff
1 cassette (Reissue)
The Borrowers have been living between the walls of a cottage, but the humans who live there are going away. If the tiny Borrowers don't want to starve, they must find a new home. They would like to live in Little Fordham, a model village for Borrowers. But the trip to Little Fordham is full of danger. Sequel to *The Borrowers Afield (RC 42266)*. For grades 3-6. 1959.

The Borrowers Aloft RC 42268
by Mary Norton
read by Kerry Cundiff
1 cassette (Reissue)
The Borrowers, miniature people, settle into a model-sized village after having many adventures in the world. The village was built as a hobby by the kindly Mr. Pott, a retired railroad man. Meanwhile, the greedy Mr. Platter builds a competing model village to make money and kidnaps the Borrowers as an attraction! The tiny family escapes to the air and begins a new adventure. Sequel to *The Borrowers Afloat (RC 42267)*. For grades 3-6. 1961.

Talking to Dragons: The Enchanted Forest Chronicles, Book 4 RC 42323
by Patricia C. Wrede
read by Pam Ward
2 cassettes
Sixteen-year-old Daystar lives on the edge of the Enchanted Forest with his mother who, unknown to him, is really Queen Cimorene. When an unsavory wizard shows up one day, Cimorene melts him, much to Daystar's surprise. Afterwards she gives Daystar a sword and sends him off into the Enchanted Forest on an unknown mission. Sequel to *Calling on Dragons (RC 38356)*. For grades 5-8. 1985.

Amber Brown Goes Fourth RC 42372
by Paula Danziger
read by Madelyn Buzzard
1 cassette
Amber Brown has her notebook, pens and pencils, new shoes, and new clothes for the new school year. But she is not looking forward to the fourth grade. Her best friend, Justin, has moved away; her dad lives in France; and her mother has a new friend, Max. Amber does her best to "go fourth," though, and eventually makes a new friend and even decides she might like Max. For grades 3-6. 1995.

Beyond the Ancient Cities RC 42411
by José María Merino
read by Christopher Hurt
1 cassette
In this companion to *The Gold of Dreams (RC 39582)*, Miguel, whose conquistador father disappeared many years ago, has the chance to travel from Mexico to Peru with his godfather, who is to assume a government post there. Their trip is not an easy one, but it helps Miguel to understand what the Indians have suffered at the hands of those who would take their land. For grades 5-8. 1994.

On the Long Trail Home RC 42414
by Elisabeth J. Stewart
read by Pam Ward
1 cassette
A fictionalized account of the author's great-grandmother's escape during the Trail of Tears, the forced march of the Cherokees from their lands in 1838 and 1839. Nine-year-old Meli is on the march with her old grandmother. Her mother and sister have been killed and she doesn't know where the rest of her family is. When Meli sees her brother in another band of captives, the two make a break for freedom. For grades 3-6. 1994.

Down the Road RC 42465
by Alice Schertle
read by Camille McCurty Ali
1 cassette
Sometimes Hetty has walked down the dusty road with Mama and sometimes with Papa, but she has never been down the road all by herself. Finally one day she is given the chance to go down the road by herself to get some eggs from Mr. Birdie's store. On the way Hetty practices walking her smoothest so she won't break the eggs. But on the way back, Hetty forgets about the eggs when she sees the apple tree. For grades K-3. 1995.

Off to School RC 42495
by Gwendolyn Battle-Lavert
read by Camille McCurty Ali
1 cassette
Wezielee wants to go to school, but she has to wait until harvest is over. Her whole family helps her sharecropper parents, and now it's Wezielee's turn to cook. But because her mind wanders to thoughts of school, Wezielee keeps ruining the lunchtime meals. For grades K-3. 1995.

Great-Aunt Martha RC 42499
by Rebecca C. Jones
read by Camille McCurty Ali
1 cassette
When a little girl's great-aunt comes to visit, the little girl is not happy. Her parents won't let her make any noise or have any fun because Great-Aunt Martha needs her rest. What's so great about her? For preschool-grade 2. 1995.

Tangled Fortunes: The Cousins Quartet, Book 4 RC 42549
by Margaret Mahy
read by Bob Askey
1 cassette
In this sequel to *A Fortune Branches Out (RC 42548)*, Jackson Fortune is thoroughly confused. He and his tomboy sister, Tracey, are usually inseparable, but now she snaps at him. And Jackson is receiving surprising notes and phone calls. The other For-

tune cousins are caught up in trying to determine if a mysterious motorcycle rider is planning to steal cousin Prue's wedding presents. For grades 3-6. 1994.

Beware the Mare RC 42550
by Jessie Haas
read by Jill Fox
1 cassette
When Gramp brings a horse home, he usually tells Lily not to fall in love with the horse because they won't be keeping it. But this time he doesn't say that, and Lily hopes the mare is for her. Instead Gramp tells her to be very careful around the horse. Is something wrong? Gramp doesn't know, but with an animal named Beware, Gramp plans to be cautious. For grades 3-6. 1993.

A Blue for Beware RC 42551
by Jessie Haas
read by Jill Fox
1 cassette
In this sequel to *Beware the Mare (RC 42550)*, Lily takes Beware to the Junior Horse Show. Her best friend, Mandy, is also there with her horse, Shane. Lily hopes to win a blue ribbon, but Mandy is the first one to take a prize. How is Lily going to feel if she doesn't win an event too?And if she doesn't, can she still be friends with Mandy? For grades 3-6. 1995.

Dog Heaven RC 42556
by Cynthia Rylant
read by Carole Jordan Stewart
1 cassette
Imagines how dog heaven must be: plenty of fields for running, lakes filled with geese, angel children to play with, and lots of biscuits of all shapes and sizes. Tells of angels walking dogs back to earth for a little visit and of heavenly homes for those dogs who were homeless on earth. For grades K-3. 1995.

Folks Call Me Appleseed John RC 42557
by Andrew Glass
read by Gary Tipton
1 cassette
Fictionalized account of John Chapman, a young man from Massachusetts who planted and sold trees to settlers in the wilderness. In this story, John has sent for his younger half-brother, Nathaniel, to help him with his work. Nathaniel doesn't take to the rugged outdoor life as well as John does. An overview of John's life follows the story. For grades 2-4. 1995.

Brian's Winter RC 42558
by Gary Paulsen
read by Gary Tipton
1 cassette
Thirteen-year-old Brian was rescued from the Canadian wilderness at the end of summer in *The Hatchet (RC 30535)*. But what if his distress call had not been heard and he had faced the harsh winter in the woods? This survival story pits the stranded young outdoorsman against the cold, loneliness, and worst of nature. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 1996.

What's Cooking, Jenny Archer? RC 42566
by Ellen Conford
read by Madelyn Buzzard
1 cassette
When Jenny Archer gets fed up with school meals, she decides to bring her own lunch. A television program inspires her to become a creative cook, and the results attract the attention of her schoolmates. One by one, they offer

to pay Jenny to make their lunches too. For grades 2-4. 1989.

A Very Important Day RC 42567
by Maggie Rugg Herold
read by Carole Jordan Stewart
1 cassette
It is three a.m. in New York City and starting to snow when Nelia Batungbakal gets up on a very important day. It is still snowing when the Huerta family gets up on this very important day. It is supposed to snow all morning, but that doesn't stop a lot of families as they head downtown on this very important day. Today they all become U.S. citizens. For grades K-3. 1995.

See Ya, Simon RC 42571
by David Hill
read by Bruce Huntey
1 cassette
New Zealand friends Simon and Nathan, fourteen, are not the greatest students in high school. Simon is known for his wacky sense of humor and for the fact that he has muscular dystrophy and uses a wheelchair. Nathan has trouble believing that zany Simon won't be around forever. For grades 5-8. 1992.

Train to Somewhere RC 42580
by Eve Bunting
read by Madelyn Buzzard
1 cassette
In 1878 Marianne is one of fourteen orphaned children from New York City being taken out west by train to find families to adopt them. Marianne is older than many of the children and she knows she is not pretty, but she isn't worried. Her mother left her at the orphanage and went west herself a few years ago, and Marianne expects to find her in one of these towns. For grades 2-4. 1996.

The Adventures of Hershel of Ostropol RC 42583
retold by Eric A. Kimmel
read by Barry Bernson
1 cassette
Tales about the legendary Jewish folk hero. Hershel was a real man living during the early nineteenth century in a Ukrainian village. He was a *shochet*, who had to know all the rules for the ritual slaughter of animals, but his wit cost him his job. These ten tales show how Hershel, though poor, was amazingly resourceful and became famous among the common folk for the fun he poked at the rich and for his wry sayings. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 1995.

Stormy RC 42584
by Jim Kjelgaard
read by Jack Fox
1 cassette
Young Allan Marley lives alone in the Beaver Flowage wilderness. One snowy November twilight, Allan courageously rescues a huge, black hunting dog that has fallen through the ice. The boy and dog are both strong and independent, and a bond grows between them. For grades 5-8. 1959.

Harry's Stormy Night RC 42595
by Una Leavy
read by Gary Tipton
1 cassette
Through roaring winds, Harry's family is snug inside their warm house even when the lights go out. They enjoy telling stories and baking a pie together. During the night, Harry forgets his

own fears and comforts his baby brother. For preschool-grade 2. 1994.

Fanny's Dream RC 42614
by Caralyn Buehner
read by Madelyn Buzzard
1 cassette
Fanny was a farmer's daughter, but she wanted to marry a prince (or someone like that). When the fairy godmother Fanny is counting on to help her out fails to show up, Fanny gets a proposal from a farmer. For preschool-grade 2. 1996.

The Hallo-Wiener RC 42615
by Dav Pilkey
read by Bruce Huntey
1 cassette
Oscar, a dachshund, is half a dog tall and one-and-a-half dogs long. His friends laugh at him and call him "Wiener Dog." On Halloween Oscar hurries home from obedience school to make a costume to wear trick-or-treating. But his mother has his outfit all made—a hot dog bun. What will Oscar do? If he wears the getup, his friends will tease him even more. For grades K-3. 1995.

Hurricane Music RC 42616
by Barbara Bottner
read by Jill Fox
1 cassette
One day Aunt Margaret finds a clarinet in the basement. At first she practices in a closet, but Aunt Margaret wants to hear the sounds of life so she takes her clarinet to the park, a train station, and even a parade. Then Hurricane Gladys comes to town and blows the clarinet away. For grades K-3. 1995.

Clean House RC 42617
by Jessie Haas
read by Jill Fox
1 cassette
When Aunt Alice calls to say she and her daughter Kate are coming to visit, Tess's mother worries about their messy house. During the next couple of days, Tess and her mother clean and straighten until their house looks as good as Aunt Alice's. For grades K-3. 1996.

Flight of the Dragon Kyn RC 42628
by Susan Fletcher
read by Madelyn Buzzard
1 cassette
In this prequel to *Dragon's Milk (RC 36623)*, the king directs Kara to use her power to call down dragons. When Kara summons a friendly dragon, she watches in horror as the king's archers slay it. Kara flees to join a "kyn" of dragons and help them take refuge from human predators. For grades 5-8. 1993.

Jim-Dandy RC 42647
by Hadley Irwin
read by Jamie Horton
1 cassette
At twelve, Kansas farm boy Caleb is thrilled with a new colt, Dandy, that he secretly learns to ride. His despair when his Quaker stepfather is forced to sell Dandy disappears when he learns Dandy's new owner is General Custer's wife, and Caleb is to be Dandy's stable boy. But the activities of Custer's Seventh Cavalry soon disgust Caleb, and he doesn't want Dandy to get used to the killing. For grades 5-8. 1994.

The Raggly Scraggly No-Soap No-Scrub Girl RC 42662
by David F. Birchman
read by Jamie Horton
1 cassette
Summer for a country family means dusty children. Every Saturday night mother scrubs each dirty child in a tub on the porch. One day a filthy girl comes to the door. She says she is the Raggly Scraggly No-Soap No-Scrub Girl here to gobble up their food. She accepts their dinner invitation with amazing gusto, but balks in pure terror at the mention of a bath. For grades K-3. 1995.

Dragons in the Waters RC 42667
by Madeleine L'Engle
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Aboard a freighter bound for Venezuela, Poly and Charles O'Keefe, fourteen and twelve, and their new young friend, Simon Renier, encounter an imposter, the theft of an irreplaceable portrait of Simon Bolivar, and a murder for which all the passengers and crew become suspect. For grades 6-9. 1976.

The Baby Sister RC 42685
by Tomie dePaola
read by Bob Askey
1 cassette
When little Tommy's mother tells him she is going to have a baby, Tommy asks for a little sister with a red ribbon in her hair. He looks forward to the birth but is disappointed when his grouchy grandmother comes to stay instead of his beloved aunt. For preschool-grade 2. 1996.

Mexican Ghost Tales of the Southwest RC 42686
by Alfred Avila
read by Gabriella Cavallero
1 cassette
Twenty-one Mexican ghost tales translated from Spanish. In "La Llorona," a widowed mother who drowns her three children is forced by God to roam the world's rivers searching for their bones. In "The Bad Boy," a young man kills his ailing mother but sinks into the riverbank where he tries to wash his blood-stained clothes. For grades 5-8 and older readers. 1994.

Carlos, Light the Farolito RC 42692
by Jean Ciavonne
read by Gabriella Cavallero
1 cassette
It is Christmas Eve, and tonight the *peregrinos* will come to Carlos's house as they search for shelter for Joseph and Mary. It is an honor to host the last night of *Las Posadas*, and Carlos can hardly wait. His grandfather always plays the role of the innkeeper, but Carlos's parents and grandfather have gone to town. So Carlos must fill in when the *peregrinos* arrive before his grandfather returns. For grades K-3. 1995.

The Arkadians RC 42693
by Lloyd Alexander
read by Jill Ferris
2 cassettes
Lucian has risen to the status of accountant at the king's palace, but his cleverness has put him in mortal danger. Fleeing the palace, he takes along Fronto, a poet who has been transformed into a donkey. They have many epic adventures as they search for the Lady of Wild Things, who can help

them out of their predicament. For grades 5-8. 1995.

Snow Dog RC 42731
by Jim Kjelgaard
read by Rick Rohan
1 cassette
Husky puppy Chiri had watched a wolf kill his mother and brothers. He learned to survive his enemies in the snow-covered woods, but now as an adult dog, Chiri is faced with a new enemy—humans. If he learns to trust them, it could cost him his freedom. Some violence. For grades 5-8. 1948.

The Shrinking of Treehorn RC 42734
by Florence Parry Heide
read by Terence Aselford
1 cassette (Reissue)
One day Treehorn notices that he is shrinking. His parents ignore his plight and his teacher complains, "We don't shrink in this class." Poor Treehorn barely keeps himself from disappearing with help from a cereal box game. For grades 2-5. 1971.

Summer Song RC 42737
by Susan Rowan Masters
read by Barbara Pinolini
1 cassette
Etta May seems to suck up every bit of disaster that's lying around. Her first problem was getting born to a mother who didn't want her. Etta May has grown up with her grandparents and been quite happy. But her grandmother died last year, her grandfather is very ill, and now her mother wants to become part of her life again. For grades 4-7. 1995.

The Song of Mu Lan RC 42739
by Jeanne M. Lee
read by Carole Jordan Stewart
1 cassette
Translation of an ancient Chinese folk song. When the emperor is raising an army, Mu Lan's father has no elder son to send. Mu Lan disguises herself as a young man and goes to war for ten years. For grades K-3. 1995.

Adventures in South America RC 42745
by Jeanette Windle
read by Jack Fox
2 cassettes
Thirteen-year-old twins Justin and Jenny Parker journey to South America with their Uncle Pete. But their relaxed vacation turns into a perilous adventure when they find themselves in the midst of international intrigue. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 1994.

Math Curse RC 42748
by Jon Scieszka
read by Carole Jordan Stewart
1 cassette
When math teacher Mrs. Fibonacci tells the class "you can think of almost everything as a math problem," one of her students feels as if she's received a math curse. Now she can't think about anything without turning it into math! For grades 2-4 and older readers. 1995.

Trout Summer RC 42758
by Jane Leslie Conly
read by Madelyn Buzzard
1 cassette
Shana, thirteen, and Cody, twelve, convince their mother to let them spend the summer in a cabin in Pennsylvania, just an hour away from their home in Maryland. They must make a few promises before being allowed to go.

After lying to their mother throughout the summer, they find themselves in trouble—alone. For grades 5-7. 1995.

The Book of Changes: Stories RC 42768
by Tim Wynne-Jones
read by Gary Tipton
1 cassette
Collection of seven stories. There is Solly, who lives in what is jokingly called a "Madhouse"; Tobias, who gets an inspiration for his class project, due the next day, from the *Book of Changes* used by a fellow classmate; and Clarke, who isn't sure he is cut out to be a door-to-door salesman. For grades 3-6. 1994.

The Chicks' Trick RC 42776
by Jeni Bassett
read by Madelyn Buzzard
1 cassette
Two hens, Mrs. Peckle and Mrs. Heckle, are always trying to outdo each other. When they each hatch a baby chick, they argue constantly over which is better. Finally the chicks come up with a plan to make them stop. For preschool-grade 2. 1995.

Be Well, Beware RC 42785
by Jessie Haas
read by Jill Fox
1 cassette
As soon as Lily gets home from school, she hurries out to the horse pasture to ride Beware before it is too dark. But today the mare doesn't come when Lily calls. When Lily does find Beware, she knows something terrible is wrong. Sequel to *A Blue for Beware (RC 42551)*. For grades 3-6. 1996.

Ghost Camp RC 42786
by R.L. Stine
read by Terence Aselford
1 cassette
Brothers Alex, eleven, and Harry, twelve, are headed for Camp Spirit Moon. They are the only ones on the bus. Their parents waited too long to sign up, and Spirit Moon was the last camp that still had space. When they arrive, strange things begin to happen. For grades 4-7. Bestseller 1996.

Titanic Crossing RC 42787
by Barbara Williams
read by Margaret Strom
1 cassette
As the Trask family sets sail aboard the *Titanic* in 1912, thirteen-year-old Albert has a lot on his mind. His father has died, leaving him to be the man of the family. His mother is unhappy about returning to America from England, where they have been living, and his younger sister is worse than a pest. When the "unsinkable" ship begins to go down, Albert takes his responsibilities seriously, risking his life. For grades 4-7. 1995.

Tarantula Shoes RC 42794
by Tom Birdseye
read by Bob Moore
1 cassette
As if moving across country isn't bad enough, Ryan, almost twelve years old, learns, to his horror, that he will go to the junior high where sixth graders are picked on. His only hope is to be cool and get a pair of Slam Dunk Sky Jumper basketball shoes. But where will he get the $124.99, plus tax? He works hard to earn most of it yet is still short. Then he makes a star out of Fang, his

pet tarantula, but things never go smoothly! For grades 3-6. 1995.

Legend of the Lost Legend RC 42800
by R.L. Stine
read by Terence Aselford
1 cassette
Justin Clarke, twelve, and his eleven-year-old sister, Marissa, have accompanied their dad on his mission to find the manuscript called the Lost Legend. They want to be helpful, but instead they get lost in the woods of Brovania and find themselves facing strange creatures. For grades 4-7. 1996.

Lost in Cyberspace RC 42808
by Richard Peck
read by Christopher Hurt
1 cassette
Sixth-grade New Yorker Josh Lewis has problems. His parents are separated, his mother is trying to find an acceptable au pair, and his friend Aaron is trying to convince him one can use a computer to travel through time. Then Aaron accidentally brings a young woman from 1923 into the 1990s, solving one problem but creating others. For grades 4-7. 1995.

Possibles RC 42811
by Vaunda Micheaux Nelson
read by Robin Miles
1 cassette
Shortly before Mary Sheppard Lee (Sheppy) graduates from grammar school, her father dies of cancer. Instead of going to camp with her friend Tess for the summer, Sheppy takes a job helping a young woman, Connie, with a broken leg. Sheppy has a lot of troubles to sort through: her mother, brother, and Tess won't talk about her father; Connie has a secret reason to be crabby; and another friend is having family problems. For grades 3-6. 1995.

Outlaw Red RC 42838
by Jim Kjelgaard
read by Erik Sandvold
1 cassette
Sean, a champion show dog and the son of *Big Red (RC 10856)*, does not like being shut up in a kennel. He longs for the freedom of the wilderness. But when that chance comes, Sean must learn to survive on his own. For grades 5-8. 1953.

The Long-Haired Girl: A Chinese Legend RC 42883
retold by Doreen Rappaport
read by Catherine Byers
1 cassette
Ah-mei and the other villagers are tired of trudging two miles every day to bring water for their newly planted crops because the Dragon King has refused to open the sky. Then one day Ah-mei discovers a source of water in the mountains, and she is filled with joy—until the God of Thunder promises to kill Ah-mei if she tells the villagers. For grades K-3. 1995.

Sound the Jubilee RC 42885
by Sandra Forrester
read by Robin Miles
1 cassette
Eleven-year-old Maddie, who works in the big house on River Bend Plantation in North Carolina, longs for freedom. As the Civil War approaches and their mistress moves to her summer home on Nags Head, Maddie's family gets their chance at freedom when the bluecoats turn nearby Roanoke Island into an escaped-slave haven. For grades 6-9. 1995.

Attack of the Jack-o'-Lanterns
RC 42898
by R.L. Stine
read by Ilona Dulaski
1 cassette
Three years ago, Tabby and Lee scared Drew and her friends at a Halloween party. Since then, Drew has been desperate to get revenge. After failing for two years, Drew finally agrees to the last-resort plan concocted by twins Shane and Shana. What she doesn't realize is just how scary it is. For grades 4-6. 1996.

Kelly and Me RC 42908
by Carol Lynch Williams
read by Carol Dines
1 cassette
In this prequel to *Adeline Street RC 42909)*, Leah is eleven and Kelly, her sister and best friend, is ten. They spend a summer getting into all sorts of trouble before a tragedy changes everything. For grades 3-6. 1993.

Make Way for Ducklings RC 42913
by Robert McCloskey
read by John Horton
1 cassette
Five helpful Boston policemen stop busy city traffic so that Mrs. Mallard can move her family of eight ducklings from their island in the Charles River to their new home in the Public Garden. For grades K-3. Caldecott Medal 1942. 1941.

Eye of the Beholder RC 42919
by Daniel Hayes
read by Christopher Hurt
1 cassette
Trouble just seems to follow the twosome of Lymie and Tyler. Who would imagine that the "art treasures" they created with a power drill would be mistaken for the works of a famous artist? Sequel to *The Trouble with Lemons (RC 36886)*. For grades 6-9. 1992.

JoJo's Flying Side Kick RC 42920
by Brian Pinkney
read by Robin Miles
1 cassette
JoJo is learning Tae Kwon Do. Her teacher, Master Kim, tells her she is ready to advance to yellow belt, but first she must break a board with a flying side kick. Even though JoJo's family and friends offer her advice on the kick, she is still worried. For grades K-3. 1995.

Next Year in Jerusalem: 3000 Years of Jewish Stories RC 42925
retold by Howard Schwartz
read by Robert Blumenfeld
1 cassette
Collection of eleven tales that blend the actual and legendary histories of Jerusalem. Along with the stories, collected from such places as Iraq, Israel, Greece, Italy, and eastern Europe, Schwartz provides factual information. For grades 3-6. 1996.

A School for Pompey Walker
RC 42927
by Michael J. Rosen
read by Bob Moore
1 cassette
Pompey Walker, an old man who was once a slave, tells the story of his life to the students in a new school that is being named for him. Pompey explains his work as a stable hand who did his master's bidding; his rescue by Jeremiah, the master's son-in-law; his selling himself into slavery time and time again so he and Jeremiah could make money; and the school he and Jeremi-

ah built for freed slaves. For grades 2-4. 1995.

Two Cool Cows RC 42940
by Toby Speed
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
Maude and Millie are two cool cows from the Huckabuck Farm. One night they borrow the black button-back boots of the Huckabuck kids and fly off to the moon where the grass is greener for the cows to munch, by the bunch, for their lunch. For grades K-3. 1995.

The Empress and the Silkworm RC 42943
by Lily Toy Hong
read by Mary Kane
1 cassette
Empress Si Ling-Chi discovers shiny silk strands when a cocoon from a mulberry tree falls into her hot tea. For grades K-3. 1995.

Elephant Families RC 42955
by Arthur Dorros
read by Ted Stoddard
1 cassette
Describes the lives of African elephants in the wild. Grandmother, mother, aunts, female cousins, and young children live together in families while the adult males travel alone or in herds. For grades K-3. 1994.

The Crystal Garden RC 42975
by Vicki Grove
read by Nona Pipes
1 cassette
Eliza's father has been dead for three years and her mother wants to get a new start in life. So they move to Gouge Eye, Missouri, with Mama's boyfriend Burl, whose group performs in nearby Branson. Eliza hopes she will be able to find some friends, but the only girl her age is Dierdre. Although the girls have some similarities, Dierdre seems more interested in a science project than a friend. For grades 5-8. 1995.

Cold Shoulder Road RC 42999
by Joan Aiken
read by Patricia Kilgarriff
2 cassettes
Arun, Is Twite's cousin, has run away from home because he can't stand all the quiet; his parents belong to the Silent Sect. Now he and Is are returning, but Arun's mother has disappeared and seems to have kidnapped a child of the Merry Gentry, who are smuggling mastodon horns from France through the Channel Tunnel. For grades 5-8. 1995.

Second Daughter: The Story of a Slave Girl RC 43000
by Mildred Pitts Walter
read by Connie Winston
1 cassette
Fictionalized account of slave Elizabeth Freeman, who in 1781 sued her owner for freedom under the Massachusetts Constitution and won. A fictional younger sister tells the story of the slaves' lives and their desire to be free. For grades 6-9. 1996.

By the Dawn's Early Light RC 43023
by Karen Ackerman
read by Robin Miles
1 cassette
Rachel and Josh's mother works at night in a box factory while they stay home with Nana. As the evening progresses, Rachel compares what they are doing at home with what their mother is doing at work. And then at 4 a.m., their mother comes home, and Rachel and Josh sneak downstairs to be with her by

the dawn's early light. For preschool-grade 2. 1994.

Sukey and the Mermaid RC 43029
by Robert D. San Souci
read by Connie Winston
1 cassette
Sukey's new do-nothing step-pa is always yelling at her to do her chores. One day she sneaks off to the beach where she meets a mermaid named Mama Jo. When Sukey's step-pa threatens the friendship, Mama Jo offers Sukey a different kind of life. For grades K-3. Coretta Scott King Award. 1992.

Colt RC 43069
by Nancy Springer
read by Gary Tipton
1 cassette
When Colt's therapist tells him to ride a horse, he is unhappy and scared. But once on top of homely Liverwurst, Colt doesn't feel like he has spina bifida. As Colt gains strength, he also gets used to his mother's new husband and to his step-siblings. Then something happens to threaten everything. For grades 3-6. 1991.

Flatfoot Fox and the Case of the Bashful Beaver RC 43102
by Eth Clifford
read by Christopher Walker
1 cassette
Flatfoot Fox, who runs a detective agency, considers himself the smartest detective in the world. But when Bashful Beaver comes to ask for help in locating his big black bag of beautiful bright blue buttons, Flatfoot Fox allows his assistant, Secretary Bird, to head up the investigation—with rather unusual results. For grades 2-4. 1995.

Not-So-Normal Norman RC 43106
by Cynthia Stowe
read by Terence Aselford
1 cassette
When Anthony's father is out of work with a back injury, Anthony worries about money. He decides to pet-sit, and his first charge is a tarantula named Norman. Anthony's joy over earning two dollars a day fades when Norman starts acting sick and won't eat. For grades 3-6. 1995.

Somebody's New Pajamas RC 43110
by Isaac Jackson
read by Bob Moore
1 cassette
Robert, the new kid in school, asks Jerome to spend the night. When they get ready for bed, Robert thinks Jerome forgot his pajamas and lends him a pair. But pajamas are a luxury Jerome's family does without. For grades K-3. 1996.

Mr. Putter and Tabby Bake the Cake RC 43114
by Cynthia Rylant
read by Ted Stoddard
1 cassette
Old Mr. Putter lives with his elderly cat, Tabby. He loves giving Christmas presents, but each year he has a hard time choosing one for his neighbor, Mrs. Teaberry. Instead of getting her a fruitcake or the other odd things she adores, Mr. Putter decides to bake her a good Christmas cake. Unfortunately he doesn't know how. For grades 2-4. 1994.

My Name Is Brain Brian RC 43123
by Jeanne Betancourt
read by Terence Aselford
1 cassette
Brian and his friends decide to make the sixth grade interesting by having a

joke contest. Secretly, Brian also hopes to do better in school. Instead, he begins by misspelling his own name, and his teacher suggests special help. Suddenly Brian's friends' jokes seem cruel to him. For grades 4-7. 1993.

Valentine RC 43137
by Carol Carrick
read by Pam Ward
1 cassette
Heather is upset when her mother has to go to work on Valentine's Day. But while Heather and her grandmother wait on the farm baking holiday cookies, a wonderful thing happens. Grandma's sheep gives birth to three lambs, and one needs Heather's help. For preschool-grade 2. 1995.

Something Very Sorry RC 43138
by Arno Bohlmeijer
read by Pam Ward
1 cassette
Nine-year-old Rosemyn's family is driving home from her cousins' house when the accident happens. In the hospital with a broken arm, Rosemyn learns that her little sister has a brain contusion, her father has broken ribs, and her mother is in a coma. For grades 4-7. 1996.

An Island Far from Home RC 43210
by John Donahue
read by Terence Aselford
1 cassette
Because his father, a Union army officer, was killed in battle, Joshua hates the rebels. When his uncle, a Union prison camp officer, asks him to write to a young Confederate prisoner, Joshua does so only reluctantly. The boys correspond, become friends, and join in a risky adventure. For grades 3-6. 1995.

Telling: True-to-Life Series from Hamilton High RC 43220
by Marilyn Reynolds
read by Barbara Pinolini
1 cassette
Twelve-year-old Cassie at first takes to her new neighbors, the Sloane family. But when Mr. Sloane repeatedly fondles her during unguarded moments, Cassie is confused and repelled. Anguishing weeks pass before Cassie's parents discover her secret, confront the molester, and report the matter to the police. For grades 6-9. 1996.

Foreign Language Books

The following cassette titles are available in the languages designated.

Spanish

Todo sobre Gatos RC 40880
por Amalia Peirano
leído por Juan Ramirez
1 cassette
Proporciona información preliminar sobre gatos, incluyendo los factores a considerar en la selección de un gato como su compañero, qué se debe hacer cuando se trae un gato o gatito a la casa, y cómo alimentarlo, cuidarlo y entrenarlo. Además, provee información general sobre la anatomía y enfermedades de los gatos, cómo prepararlos para mudanzas o viajes, y sobre las razas y la crianza de gatos. (Provides in-

troductory information on cats, including the factors to consider in selecting a cat for a pet; what to do when you bring a cat or kitten into your home; and how to feed, care for, and train your cat. The author also discusses the anatomy and diseases of cats, breeds and breeding, and the preparation of cats for moving or traveling.) 1992.

Carrie RC 40881
por Stephen King
leído por Juan Ramirez
2 cassettes
Una joven adolescente utiliza sus poderes secretos de telequinesia—la habilidad de mover objetos mediante control mental—como arma para vengarse de un pueblo de Nueva Inglaterra. (A high school girl uses her secret powers of telekinesis, the ability to move objects by mind control, as a weapon to exact revenge on a New England town.) 1984.

Las Tres Fuentes de Salud y Longevidad: Ejercicio, Nutrición, Actitud Mental RC 40884
por Luis Alberto de la Torre y Julia Paredes
leído por María Pino
1 cassette
Recomendaciones básicas sobre cómo incorporar a la vida diaria una dieta sana y rutinas de ejercicios, juntamente con formas de reducir las tensiones y ansiedades diarias que afectan adversamente la salud. (Basic recommendations on how to incorporate healthy dietary and exercise routines into daily living, coupled with ways to reduce the daily stresses and anxieties that have adverse effects on health.) 1992.

El México de Diego Rivera: Crónicas Capitalinas RC 40886
por Héctor Manuel Romero
leído por Juan Ramirez
1 cassette
Un mosaico de cultura y las costumbres únicas de la cuidad de México, cuyo residente más representativo fue el muralista Diego Rivera. Incluye una corta biografía de Diego Rivera, una historia de la famosa Zona Rosada y de los distritos de Tepito, y una apreciación lingüística de los pintorescos vocablos y expresiones de sus habitantes. (A patchwork view of the unique culture and customs of Mexico City, one of whose most representative residents was the muralist Diego Rivera. Includes a short biography of Rivera, a history of the famous Pink Zone and Tepito districts, and a linguistic appreciation of the picturesque speech and expressions of the people.) 1992.

Por Donde los Angeles Caminan RC 40887
por Joan Wester Anderson
leído por Juan Ramirez
2 cassettes
Cuando el hijo de la autora se encontró peligrosamente aislado, fue rescatado por un camión de remolque que después desapareció. Por eso, la autora empezó a investigar las apariciones de ángeles que, según ella, hacen el papel de guardianes. Anderson presenta historias de ángeles custodios que aparecen en forma de personas, animales y voces incorpóreas. (After the author's stranded son was rescued by a tow truck that then vanished, she began researching angels. She concludes that one purpose of angels is to act as caretakers. Anderson presents stories of helpful an-

gels who have appeared as people, animals, and disembodied voices.) 1994.

El Don de la Amistad RC 40888
por Naomi Rhode
leído por María Pino
1 cassette
La amistad es más bella que los diamantes. Éste es el tema central de esta colección de citas, adagios, reflexiones y anécdotas acerca de la amistad. A lo largo de los siglos, hombres y mujeres desde Confucio y Aristóteles hasta Abraham Lincoln, Mark Twain, y Helen Keller, han expresado su sentir acerca del valor de la amistad, de acuerdo a la selección reunida en este volumen. (Friendship is more beautiful than diamonds. This is the central theme of this collection of quotes, adages, reflections, and anecdotes about friendship. Through the ages, men and women ranging from Confucius and Aristotle to Abraham Lincoln, Mark Twain, and Helen Keller have expressed sentiments on the value of friendship, as collected in this volume.) 1991.

Talking Book Magazines

Discs

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American Heritage (8 issues)

Analog Science Fiction and Fact (13 issues)

†**Asimov's Science Fiction** (11 issues)

The Atlantic Monthly (monthly)

Civilization: The Magazine of the Library of Congress (bimonthly)

†**Computer Life** (monthly)

Consumer Reports (monthly)

Contemporary Sound Track: A Review of Pop, Jazz, Rock, and Country (bimonthly)

†**Diabetes Forecast** (replaces **Encore**; current subscribers will automatically receive this new magazine; monthly)

†**Discover** (general science; replaces **Natural History**; current subscribers will automatically receive this new magazine; monthly)

†**Eating Well** (food and health; 6 issues)

Ebony (monthly)

Ellery Queen's Mystery Magazine (11 issues)

Good Housekeeping (monthly plus special issues)

†**Health and Nutrition Newsletters** (includes **Dr. Andrew Weil's Self Healing, Healthline, The Johns Hopkins Medical Letter—Health after Fifty,** and **Nutrition Action Healthletter;** replaces **Prevention;** current subscribers will automatically receive new newsletters; monthly)

Magazine of the Month (monthly)

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The Nation (47 issues)
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New Choices: Living Even Better after Fifty (10 issues)
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†**People Weekly** (personalities and entertainment news; weekly)
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Selecciones del *Reader's Digest* (monthly)
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In Brief

Asimov's Science Fiction Magazine Offered on Cassette

NLS is offering *Asimov's Science Fiction* magazine on cassette rather than flexible disc in addition to the children's, young adult, and foreign-language audio magazines that were announced earlier this year. These magazines kick off a transition to the new format for all audio magazines. NLS plans to continue the transition in January 1999, changing another group of flexible-disc magazines to cassette. It is expected to take three to four years before all NLS recorded magazines will be available on cassette.

The complete list of magazine titles appears in the Magazines section of this issue and includes information about the number of issues and format of each title.

Newsstand

The following announcements may be of interest to readers. The National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped reserves the right to publish announcements selectively, as space permits. Items mentioned, however, are not part of the NLS program, and their listing does not imply endorsement.

Audio Book Club. The AudioBook Exchange Club offers 600 commercially produced cassette book titles. An annual membership fee of $10 entitles customers to an unlimited number of tape rentals for $4.50 each plus shipping and handling. Members can also purchase titles at a discount off the retail price.

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Disaster Preparedness. A two-cassette audio booklet titled *Disaster Preparedness for People with Disabilities* is available from the American Red Cross. The publication is designed to help people who have physical, visual, auditory, or cognitive disabilities prepare for natural disasters and their consequences. It includes sections on understanding disasters, disaster supplies, making your home or office safer, and creating a personal support network. The audio cassette set costs $5 and can be purchased from local American Red Cross chapters.

Books for Adults

Books listed in this issue of *Talking Book Topics* were recently sent to cooperating libraries. The complete collection contains books by many authors on fiction and nonfiction subjects, including biographies, classics, gothics, mysteries, romances, and others. Contact your cooperating library to learn more about the wide range of books available in the collection.

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Note: For the information of the reader, a notice may appear immediately following the book description to indicate occurrences of strong language, explicit descriptions of sex, or violence. The word "some" before any of these terms indicates an occasional or infrequent occurrence, as in "some strong language."

Cassettes Nonfiction

Bike Cult: The Ultimate Guide to Human-Powered Vehicles RC 42160
by David B. Perry
read by Randy Wieck
8 cassettes
Covers many aspects of bicycling, beginning with the history of the bike. Discusses the bike as a political tool; bike culture; cycle sports and recreational events; well-known bikers; requirements for top cycling performance; and the bicycle body, which includes the bicycle back and the bicycle face. Appendixes list clubs, champions, records, and more. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1995.

God in All Worlds: An Anthology of Contemporary Spiritual Writing RC 42214
edited by Lucinda Vardey
read by Christopher Hurt
7 cassettes
The England-born Catholic, a successful businesswoman before illness led to her "spiritual awakening," presents "the finest wisdom" on religious experience composed between 1945 and 1995. Reflecting Eastern and Western faith perspectives, the texts by more than one hundred contributors are grouped by theme and arranged to follow "the spiritual journey of the soul in life." 1995.

The Brontës RC 42239
by Juliet Barker
read by Lisette Lecat
10 cassettes
Barker draws on eleven years' research to compile this detailed, documented reinterpretation of the nineteenth-century family of writers. Contrasting her findings with conclusions of previous biographers, Barker presents the father, Patrick, as a sympathetic patriarch; brother Branwell as a talented, though tortured, poet; and authors Charlotte, Emily, and Anne as strong, not oppressed, women. 1994.

Osler's Web: Inside the Labyrinth of the Chronic Fatigue Syndrome Epidemic RC 42240
by Hillary Johnson
read by Catherine Byers
7 cassettes
Chronicles identification and research of chronic fatigue syndrome from 1984 through 1994. Reports of the puzzling medical condition were met with skepticism and even hostility, as shown in assigning it the nickname "Yuppie Flu."

Tells how the disease affected patients' lives as well as what the reaction of the established medical community was toward sympathetic doctors. 1996.

The Letters of Robert Louis Stevenson: Volume 4, October 1882–June 1884
RC 42244
by Robert Louis Stevenson
read by Patrick Horgan
3 cassettes
This volume of letters by both Stevenson and his wife, Fanny, reflects Stevenson's life and work while he resided in the south of France, where the family moved to find a healthful climate. Despite the severity of his chronic illness, Stevenson considered this the happiest period of his life and published *The Black Arrow (RC 23122)*, *Treasure Island (RC 18121)*, and other famous works. 1884.

Learning to Use Microcomputer Applications: WordPerfect 6.0 for DOS
RC 42342
by Gary Shelly and others
read by John Richardson
3 cassettes
An introductory textbook that offers step-by-step instructions. Addresses computers, software, networks, file management, and creating documents. 1995.

When the Pentagon Was for Sale: Inside America's Biggest Defense Scandal
RC 42370
by Andy Pasztor
read by Ray Foushee
4 cassettes
The *Wall Street Journal* reporter who covered the Pentagon during the Reagan and Bush eras documents fraud spawned by indiscriminate defense spending. Basing his account on court documents, public records, and interviews, Pasztor reveals how officials rigged bids, shared classified documents with contractors, and demanded payoffs. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language. 1995.

The Steinway Saga: An American Dynasty
RC 42436
by D.W. Fostle
read by Jake Williams
7 cassettes
Fostle sifts through correspondence, private papers and diaries, court documents, and financial records for his account of several generations of the Steinway family and the impact their piano firm had on American history. 1995.

Disability and Culture RC 42451
edited by Benedicte Ingstad and Susan Reynolds Whyte
read by Annie Wauters
3 cassettes
Collection of scholarly essays examining the effects of culture on individuals with disabilities. Contributions are primarily reports on field research from many parts of the world, including third-world countries, conducted by anthropologists. The introduction explores the issue of a universal definition of disability. 1995.

Monsters of the Sea RC 42471
by Richard Ellis
read by Gary Telles
4 cassettes
Ellis, a cryptozoologist who studies the reported existence of unknown creatures, provides an analysis of some of the terrifying "monsters" people throughout history have believed to live in the sea. Through further research, the unknown and unnamed "monsters" become such

"familiar" creatures as octopuses, whales, manatees, and sharks. Ellis also discusses the need to protect and preserve the creatures of the sea. 1994.

Murderers and Other Friends: Another Part of Life RC 42489
by John Mortimer
read by John Horton
2 cassettes
The lawyer, writer, and creator of the Rumpole of the Bailey television series continues his memoirs and vignettes about his life and friends among the British middle class. 1994. Sequel to *Clinging to the Wreckage (RC 42488)*.

The Rise of Western Christendom: Triumph and Diversity, AD 200–1000 RC 42494
by Peter Brown
read by Corrie James
3 cassettes
A history of the first thousand years of Christianity. Traces its rise from the last centuries of the Roman empire to the formation of western Christendom and its spread in diverse forms across Asia Minor and North Africa. Explains how Christianity became Europe's dominant political and cultural force by the year 1000. 1996.

Pickett, Leader of the Charge: A Biography of General George E. Pickett, C.S.A. RC 42500
by Edward G. Longacre
read by Rick Rohan
2 cassettes
A scholarly portrait of the leader of the famed suicidal charge at Gettysburg in 1863. Describes Pickett's life and exploits from his days at West Point through the Mexican and Civil Wars. Refutes some errors, stereotypes, and myths from earlier accounts of the maligned Confederate general. 1995.

Intimate Enemies: Jews and Arabs in a Shared Land RC 42513
by Meron Benvenisti
read by Bob Moore
2 cassettes
Drawing on his experience as a professor, columnist, deputy mayor of Jerusalem, and founder of the West Bank Database Project that records human-rights abuses, Benvenisti probes the interests of the Israelis and the Palestinians. He focuses on the 1990 Temple Mount killing of Palestinians by Israeli police and the 1993 Peace Accord and advocates a pluralistic Israel/Palestine over separate states. 1995.

Battling for Peace: A Memoir RC 42514
by Shimon Peres
read by Gregory Gorton
3 cassettes
In this account, written before he became prime minister following the death of Yitzhak Rabin, Peres portrays himself as both victor and victim. Peres explains how he was influenced by David Ben-Gurion and became part of his cabinet and how from then on politics became a major part of his life, including a time as prime minister prior to Rabin. He also discusses his part in Israeli peace agreements. 1995.

Local People: The Struggle for Civil Rights in Mississippi RC 42535
by John Dittmer
read by Ilona Dulaski
4 cassettes
The DePauw University professor who taught history at Tougaloo College, Mississippi, from 1967 to 1979 documents the work of grass-roots blacks for suffrage and integration. He details actions

arranged through the Council of Federated Organizations, and the work of Medgar Evers, Fannie Lou Hamer, and many others. Winner of the 1995 Bancroft Prize in American History. 1995.

Women with Disabilities: Found Voices RC 42574

edited by Mary E. Willmuth and Lillian Holcomb
read by Kerry Cundiff
2 cassettes
An anthology of essays, most written by women with disabilities, documenting the adversity and abuse disabled women face. Conveys the feelings of isolation and exclusion they feel in a "disability-phobic culture" and calls for activism and coalition building as a proper response. 1993.

The Beak of the Finch: A Story of Evolution in Our Time RC 42578

by Jonathan Weiner
read by Butch Hoover
3 cassettes
Discusses the work of Peter and Rosemary Grant, who spent more than twenty years in the Galapagos Islands researching Charles Darwin's finches to confront Darwin's notion of evolution as a time-suspended process. Weiner incorporates research from other scientists to assert that evolution is dynamic, involving constant, even observable, change. *L.A. Times* Book Prize for Science and Technology. 1994.

Events Leading Up to My Death: The Life of a Twentieth-Century Reporter RC 42579

by Howard K. Smith
read by Lou Harpenau
4 cassettes
Reminiscences of the noted journalist, from his rural Louisiana youth through his newspaper and TV careers. Smith was the last American reporter to escape wartime Berlin in 1941. By war's end he was a national figure, and he went on to cover the great events of the Cold War era. A detailed account of the man and his century. 1996.

Immigration Policy RC 42586

edited by Scott Barbour
read by Butch Hoover
2 cassettes
An anthology of eighteen articles, half arguing for curtailing immigration and half advocating its continuation or expansion. The articles examine the cultural, moral, economic, and environmental factors at issue in the debate. For junior and senior high and older readers. 1995.

United Nations: The First Fifty Years RC 42590

by Stanley Meisler
read by John Richardson
3 cassettes
Survey of the United Nations' (U.N.) first fifty years by a former foreign correspondent for the *Los Angeles Times*. Many of the chapters are organized around the emergencies faced by the U.N.: the 1956 Suez Crisis, the Korean War, the Cuban missile crisis, the Vietnam war, the peacekeeping effort in Somalia, and others. 1995.

Beatrice Ojakangas' Great Holiday Baking Book RC 42591

by Beatrice Ojakangas
read by Kerry Cundiff
3 cassettes
Offers 250 recipes for savory and sweet baked treats to make holidays more memorable. While many of the recipes are for Thanksgiving and Christmas, there are also some for Labor Day,

April Fools' Day, and other celebrations, some obscure. Includes historical backgrounds for the various observances. 1994.

Getting Organized: The Easy Way to Put Your Life in Order; Updated and Revised RC 42609
by Stephanie Winston
read by Patricia McDermott
2 cassettes
Tells how to take control of paperwork, time, money, and space at home and at work. Looks at some personal reasons why life may become confused. This revision also describes home offices and working mothers in the 1990s. 1991.

Wrestling with Angels: What the First Family of Genesis Teaches Us about Our Spiritual Identity, Sexuality, and Personal Relationships RC 42611
by Naomi H. Rosenblatt and Joshua Horwitz
read by Janis Gray
3 cassettes
Psychotherapist Rosenblatt explores the multigenerational saga of the Bible, focusing on Abraham and Sarah, to discover how the family's conflicts and spiritual vision reflect on the contemporary search for a purposeful life and spiritual identity. 1995.

There's No Such Thing as Free Speech: And It's a Good Thing, Too RC 42612
by Stanley Fish
read by John Richardson
3 cassettes
In this series of essays, Fish examines the historical and political contexts of such issues as free speech, multiculturalism, family values, and affirmative action. Opposing the arguments of both the right and the left, he argues that the "essentials" of these issues cannot be isolated from their political circumstances. 1994.

Mothers of Invention: Women of the Slaveholding South in the American Civil War RC 42620
by Drew Gilpin Faust
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
This social history chronicles the challenges and changes faced by Southern women while their men were off fighting the Civil War. As these women took new roles as heads of farms and families, they began to reconsider assumptions about their own identities and the social order of the old South. 1996.

Wings of Morning: The Story of the Last American Bomber Shot Down over Germany in World War II RC 42622
by Thomas Childers
read by Randy Atcher
3 cassettes
Historian Childers writes of his uncle, Howard Goodner, who was killed in the last days of World War II. Using Goodner's daily letters home, letters of crewmates, and interviews with a surviving buddy and with German farmers who remember the crash, Childers details the fate of the young men of the B-24 *Black Cat*. 1995.

Great One-Liners RC 42627
by Gene Perret
read by Jack Fox
1 cassette
Bob Hope's head comedy writer provides a collection of one-liners and their setups. Topics include education, family, traffic, fashion, football, and more. Includes jokes used by Woody Allen, Milton Berle, Phyllis Diller, and Rodney Dangerfield. 1992.

The Monkey Wars RC 42660
by Deborah Blum
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
3 cassettes
Examines the struggle between the animal-rights organizations and the scientific community over the use of primates for research. Offers chronologies of each camp, describing their respective values, aims, and activities. The final chapter suggests that people on both sides are becoming more willing to compromise. 1994.

On Grief and Reason: Essays RC 42661
by Joseph Brodsky
read by Jim Zeiger
3 cassettes
The Russian-born former U.S. poet laureate and winner of the Nobel prize for literature offers twenty-one essays, speeches, and letters first published elsewhere. In the title essay, Brodsky analyzes Frost's poem "Home Burial." In "Collector's Item," prompted by a Russian postage stamp honoring spy Kim Philby, the poet reflects on aspects of espionage. 1995.

A NonChurchgoer's Guide to the Bible RC 42688
by Michael Gantt
read by Erik Sandvold
2 cassettes
A nonsectarian overview of the Bible for persons who have an interest in "the Good Book" but little knowledge of it. Explains the structure of the Bible, reviews each of its books, and suggests how one might go about reading the bestselling book of all time. 1995.

Germany, Hitler, and World War II: Essays in Modern German and World History RC 42691
by Gerhard L. Weinberg
read by Jake Williams
3 cassettes
Weinberg, who helped microfilm captured German records and has written numerous studies on World War II, documents Hitler's plans in starting the war. The German leadership, Weinberg asserts, intended to conquer Europe and the United States and to transform the world's population by systematically killing those they deemed "not worthy of life." 1995.

Spyglass: An Autobiography RC 42694
by Hélène Deschamps
read by Yvonne Fair Tessler
2 cassettes
The author was a teenager when France declared war on Germany during World War II. Deschamps tells how after France was occupied, she decided to fight the Nazis by joining the underground resistance movement. Her best friend soon followed, and over the years the girls' missions became more and more dangerous. Some violence. For junior and senior high readers. 1995.

The Golden Thirteen: Recollections of the First Black Naval Officers RC 42700
edited by Paul Stillwell
read by Jake Williams
2 cassettes
Personal portraits of the thirteen sailors who in 1944 became the first African American officers in the U.S. Navy. Oral histories from the group's eight survivors recall their selection, officer training, service experiences, and later careers. 1993.

The Same River Twice: Honoring the Difficult; a Meditation on Life, Spirit, Art, and the Making of the Film *The Color Purple* Ten Years Later RC 42702
by Alice Walker
read by Gail Nelson
2 cassettes
The author reflects on the changes in her life as her bestselling book was made into a movie. Letters, essays, and her original screenplay reveal her struggles with her role as a public figure, criticism of her story, her mother's failing health, and her own illness. Strong language and descriptions of sex. 1996.

Mourning into Dancing RC 42754
by Walter Wangerin
read by Brian Conn
2 cassettes
Wangerin, a Lutheran pastor, looks at four concepts of death: primal fall or original sin, divisions that come between us and others, corporeal dying, and spiritual death. Through examples from his own life and from his inner-city ministry, he shows how grief can lead to healing and renewal. 1992.

At Eighty-Two: A Journal RC 42757
by May Sarton
read by Patricia McDermott
2 cassettes
Final work by the prolific American poet and novelist. Sarton chronicles the last year of her life, reflecting on past literary successes; the rigors of aging; visits with friends and admirers; and life with her beloved cat, Pierrot. Throughout, Sarton deals with depression brought on as she ponders her mortality. 1996.

Power and Illness: The Failure and Future of American Health Policy RC 42759
by Daniel M. Fox
read by Butch Hoover
2 cassettes
Argues that policies overemphasize research on and care for acute illnesses and neglect chronic, disabling conditions. Fox proposes reallocating resources for better results and discusses the changing views on health care and on the role of the patient. 1993.

Informed Consent RC 42761
by John A. Byrne
read by Kerry Cundiff
2 cassettes
The account of a woman who believes her silicone breast implants caused her years of debilitating health problems. Her implants came from Dow Corning, where her husband was an executive. A story of personal tragedy and alleged corporate misconduct. 1996.

Hiroshima in America: Fifty Years of Denial RC 42765
by Robert Jay Lifton and Greg Mitchell
read by Butch Hoover
3 cassettes
A psychology professor and an author draw on library research and interviews to argue that use of atomic bombs on Japanese cities was unjustified. They fault the secrecy surrounding atomic weapons and probe the psychological reasons for President Harry S Truman's decision to use the bomb. They also detail controversy over the Smithsonian Institution's 1995 Enola Gay exhibit. 1995.

The *Wall Street Journal National Business Employment Weekly* Interviewing
RC 42769
by Arlene S. Hirsch
read by Patricia McDermott
2 cassettes
Psychotherapist, career counselor, and outplace consultant Hirsch explains how to "remove some of the negative imagery from the interviewing process by developing better interview skills and attitudes." Her formula consists of getting to know yourself inside and out, researching employers most likely to want you, and presenting yourself as someone who can add value to the organization. 1994.

The Very Best Men: Four Who Dared; the Early Years of the CIA RC 42774
by Evan Thomas
read by Art Metzler
3 cassettes
The *Newsweek* editor and bureau chief, author of *The Wise Men (RC 25088)*, draws on interviews and on files, some still classified and used through special agreement with the CIA. He documents how spymasters Frank Wisner, Richard Bissell, Tracy Barnes, and Desmond FitzGerald engineered assassination plots and coups against foreign governments. Some violence and some strong language. 1995.

Windows 95 Clear & Simple RC 42777
by P.K. McBride
read by John Richardson
1 cassette
An easy-to-follow guide to using Windows 95 for the experienced or beginning computer user. Explains setting up, window control, managing files, disk housekeeping, and other key aspects of the Windows 95 computer operating system. 1996.

The Dilbert Principle: A Cubicle's-Eye View of Bosses, Meetings, Management Fads, and Other Workplace Afflictions
RC 42822
by Scott Adams
read by Erik Sandvold
2 cassettes
A humorous look at the workplace from the creator of the "Dilbert" cartoon strip. The Dilbert Principle is that "the most ineffective workers are systematically moved to the place where they can do the least damage—management." Bestseller 1996.

City Life: Urban Expectations in a New World RC 42825
by Witold Rybczynski
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes
The architect and author of *Home: The Short Story of an Idea (RC 25168)* discusses the design of U.S. cities. He notes the generous use of space, the penchant for a grid format, and the tendency to concentrate commercial activity in a defined area. He also addresses the 1950s urban renewal movement, the popularity of garden suburbs, and the rise of shopping malls. 1995.

Mountain Lion: An Unnatural History of Pumas and People RC 42826
by Chris Bolgiano
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Traces the mountain lion's "unnatural" interaction with human cultures in North America over hundreds of years. While the author's primary focus is on the big cat, she also offers insights into human society and the complexity of our own minds. 1995.

This Is Not Your Father's Stockpicking Book: Profiting from the Investment Clues Found in Everyday Life
RC 42830
by Derrick Niederman
read by John Rayburn
2 cassettes
Tells how to come up with investment ideas "by connecting familiar aspects of the everyday world with their not-so-familiar effects on public companies." Considers the five aspects of weather, television, presidential terms, fads, and advertising. Gives examples of past events that have influenced the stock market. 1995.

The End of Education: Redefining the Value of School RC 42832
by Neil Postman
read by Bill Wallace
2 cassettes
A university professor argues that education in the 1990s is failing because its guiding purposes of consumership, technology, and economic utility are outmoded, and its new multiculturalism is divisive. Postman advocates substituting new concepts: spaceship Earth, intellectual humility, the American experiment, and the law of diversity. 1995.

Disappearance: A Map; a Meditation on Death and Loss in the High Latitudes
RC 42833
by Sheila Nickerson
read by Jill Ferris
2 cassettes
The Alaska poet reflects on the ways people have disappeared into her state's vast wilderness, beginning with a colleague whose plane vanished over glaciers in Alaska's "Bermuda Triangle." Includes many other accounts: notably those of Sir John Franklin, who disappeared in 1845 with 128 men and two ships, and of Louisiana congressman Hale Boggs, whose plane was lost in 1972. 1996.

The Company of Wolves RC 42837
by Peter Steinhart
read by Bill Wallace
3 cassettes
Explores the relationship between humans and wolves. Steinhart shows that, like humans, wolves have calculating minds, live within highly developed social systems, claim and defend territories, use complex forms of communication, and are predators. The author draws from the experiences and views of people whose lives have been touched by wolves. 1995.

I Lived to Tell It All RC 42850
by George Jones
read by Chuck Benson
3 cassettes
The rough-and-tumble life of a hard-living icon of country music. Follows George Jones through his hardscrabble early years in East Texas, growing fame, and difficult times to his clean-living sobriety. Jones admits that binge drinking, drugs, and violent behavior plagued his life and career. Strong language. 1996.

Confessions of an Eco-Warrior
RC 42854
by Dave Foreman
read by Jim Zeiger
2 cassettes
A defense of the principles upon which the Earth First! movement was founded: biocentrism, wilderness preservation, and monkeywrenching (environmental vandalism). Foreman decries the wanton destruction of the wilderness and advocates environmental radical-

ism. He describes and justifies monkey-wrenching techniques. 1991.

Aging and Old Age RC 42863
by Richard A. Posner
read by Jake Williams
3 cassettes
A law school lecturer offers a scholarly economic analysis of aspects of aging and their legal implications. Posner uses models, mathematical equations, and the concept of multiple selves—young and old—to explain his theories. He discusses behavioral changes in residence, driving, crime, suicide, sex, employment, voting, and jury service. 1995.

Two or Three Things I Know for Sure RC 42865
by Dorothy Allison
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
1 cassette
The author of *Bastard out of Carolina (RC 39353)* tells of being a poor southern white girl worried about turning out like her unattractive female relatives and enduring her stepfather's sexual abuse. She also discusses her lesbianism. One of the two or three things she knows for sure is how long it takes to learn to love yourself. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1995.

At Peace in the Light: The Further Adventures of a Reluctant Psychic Who Reveals the Secret of Your Spiritual Powers RC 42868
by Dannion Brinkley
read by Erik Sandvold
1 cassette
Brinkley tells how he adjusted to the psychic ability he acquired after his near-death experiences and found his life's mission in helping hospice patients face death. 1995. Sequel to *Saved by the Light (RC 38855)*.

Living Faith RC 42877
by Jimmy Carter
read by Lou Harpenau
2 cassettes
The former president testifies on the influence of religious faith in his life. He recounts formative events of his past, including achievements and setbacks, and discusses how his Christian belief sustained and inspired him. 1996.

Power to Burn: Michael Ovitz and the New Business of Show Business RC 42899
by Stephen Singular
read by Kimberly Schraf
2 cassettes
An unauthorized portrait of one of Hollywood's most successful agents and deal-makers. Traces his meteoric rise to power as head of the Creative Artists Agency, through his skillful brokering of the MCA/Universal Studio sale, to his selection as president of Disney Studios. Some strong language. Bestseller 1996.

Red Azalea RC 42930
by Anchee Min
read by Mary Kane
2 cassettes
Autobiographical account of a young Chinese woman's experience during China's Cultural Revolution and the eventual collapse of the Maoist regime. Min recounts the years of communal hard labor, the humiliating process of working on propagandist films, and her clandestine affair with another woman. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1994.

Caring for Yourself While Caring for Your Aging Parents: How to Help, How to Survive RC 42931
by Claire Berman
read by Margaret Strom
2 cassettes
A guide for children who care for aging parents. Offers advice on balancing the needs of parent and caregiver while protecting the physical and emotional health of the latter. Covers key areas such as sibling stress, communication, and the nursing home dilemma. 1996.

A Call to Character: A Family Treasury of Stories, Poems, Plays, Proverbs, and Fables to Guide the Development of Values for You and Your Children RC 42933
edited by Colin Greer and Herbert Kohl
read by Annie Wauters
4 cassettes
Readings spanning four centuries and intended for families to share. Selections are grouped by values, such as courage, integrity, empathy, and idealism. Includes works by Milne, Shakespeare, Steinbeck, Aesop, O. Henry, and Sitting Bull. 1995.

The Dog Who Rescues Cats: The True Story of Ginny RC 42935
by Philip Gonzalez and Leonore Fleischer
read by Gregory Gorton
1 cassette
After a disabling accident, Gonzalez had lost interest in living. Then a friend suggested that he adopt a dog. Ginny, the abused pup that Gonzalez found at a shelter, was no ordinary dog, but one with a penchant for rescuing abandoned cats. With Ginny, Gonzalez has aided scores of injured felines and found a new sense of purpose in life. 1995.

Eat Right, Live Longer: Using the Natural Power of Foods to Age-Proof Your Body RC 42942
by Neal Barnard
read by Camille McCurty Ali
3 cassettes
In this eight-step program, Dr. Barnard explains how certain foods can be used to counteract the negative effects of chemical reactions, like oxidation, in the body. He offers advice on coping with menopause, combatting impotence, and avoiding fat. He includes recipes and menus by Jennifer Raymond. 1995.

Daughters of the Fifth Sun: A Collection of Latina Fiction and Poetry RC 42952
edited by Bryce Milligan
read by Ilona Dulaski and others
2 cassettes
Short stories and poems by the "godmothers" of Latina writing and later-generation authors describe the Latina experience. They relate being women in a *machismo*-oriented culture, living in a minority group in the United States, learning the power of language, and dealing with everyday life. 1995.

How to Stay Alive as Long as You Live: Practical Guides for Christian Living RC 42962
by Robert H. Spain
read by Gregory Gorton
1 cassette
Spain, a bishop of the United Methodist Church, addresses ways in which individuals can learn to lead more meaningful, fulfilling lives. He suggests they accept themselves as persons of worth, develop a positive mental attitude, set priorities, handle detours, cope with

worry and grief, learn to forgive, share their faith, and always remember that God resides within them. 1992.

The Woman Said Yes: Encounters with Life and Death, Memoirs RC 42970
by Jessamyn West
read by Michele Schaeffer
1 cassette (Reissue)
Writer tells how her Quaker mother, Grace, nursed her through tuberculosis after the sanatorium gave up on her. Grace taught both author Jessamyn and Jessamyn's sister, Carmen, to "say yes to the life in their lives" and yes to death when that life is over. After Grace's death, it is Jessamyn who helps Carmen deal with inoperable cancer. 1976.

The Wilding of America: How Greed and Violence Are Eroding Our Nation's Character RC 42973
by Charles Derber
read by Gary Telles
2 cassettes
A grim view of American culture in the 1990s. Derber extends the term "wilding," meaning random street violence, to acts of antisocial behavior that pervade our social, economic, and political worlds. Offers proposals for restoring civil society. 1996.

Mary Magdalen: Myth and Metaphor RC 42978
by Susan Haskins
read by Lisette Lecat
5 cassettes
Scriptural exegesis, history, and art serve as the sources for this portrait of the renowned female saint and intimate of Jesus. Haskins demonstrates how through the ages the image of Mary Magdalen has merged with other biblical figures to become that of the penitent prostitute, a portrayal that epitomizes the subordinate role of women in the church and in society. Haskins reevaluates that concept. 1993.

Mentoring: Confidence in Finding a Mentor and Becoming One RC 42983
by Bobb Biehl
read by Ralph Lowenstein
2 cassettes
A comprehensive guide to mentoring with explanations, instructions, and tributes from Christian leaders. Defines mentoring as the process of a mature person taking a protege "under the wing" for lifelong caring and support. 1996.

Daisy Bates in the Desert RC 42991
by Julia Blackburn
read by Patricia Kilgarriff
2 cassettes
The British author creates a personal interpretation of the Irish-born writer who in 1913 at age fifty-four went to live in the deserts of Australia. Picking her way among Bates's prevarications, Blackburn sketches the eccentric's two marriages, her abandonment of her son, and her decades-long attachment to the Aborigines. 1994.

A Touch of Innocence: Memoirs of Childhood RC 42992
by Katherine Dunham
read by Robin Miles
3 cassettes
Third-person autobiographical account of noted dancer and anthropologist covering the first eighteen years of her life. Dunham describes growing up in a midwest interracial family in the early twentieth century. She endures a difficult childhood at the hands of her angry and abusive father. 1959.

Looking for the Lost: Journeys through a Vanishing Japan RC 43005
by Alan Booth
read by Ed Blake
3 cassettes
Booth travels on foot through three remote regions of Japan on a quest to discover the country's "geographic and spiritual heart." His trip takes him to the Tsugaru peninsula, the mountains of southern Kyushu, and the hills of Nagoya. 1995. Sequel to *The Roads to Sata (RC 26061)* and the author's final book.

The Size of Thoughts: Essays and Other Lumber RC 43022
by Nicholson Baker
read by Gordon Gould
3 cassettes
Collection of essays from 1982–1996. Baker's writings reveal a broad range of interests and fascination with minutiae as he explores such topics as archaic punctuation, slang terminology, the evolution of the movie projector, and the short-sighted destruction of library card catalogs. Some strong language. 1996.

Francis Drake: The Lives of a Hero RC 43028
by John Cummins
read by Robert Blumenfeld
3 cassettes
A portrait of the swashbuckling Elizabethan seafarer, who was the first to sail around the world and is considered largely responsible for defeating the Spanish Armada. Recounts Drake's naval battles, piratical escapades, stormy personal relationships, and declining fortunes. 1995.

The Last Empire: De Beers, Diamonds, and the World RC 43030
by Stefan Kanfer
read by Lewis Grenville
3 cassettes
Kanfer, a journalist, discusses De Beers Consolidated Mines and describes how it sometimes uses a show of power to maintain its hold on the world's diamond industry and much of the gold industry. He focuses on the exploitation of blacks in South Africa and on the three men who have controlled the company since its founding in 1880—Cecil Rhodes, Ernest Oppenheimer, and "King" Harry Oppenheimer. Some violence. 1993.

T.E. Lawrence RC 43037
by Daniel Wolfe
read by George Holmes
1 cassette
Recounts the adventurous life of T.E. Lawrence, or "Lawrence of Arabia." Traces his years as a youth in England, an archeologist in the Middle East, and a soldier who led Arab forces against the Turks in World War I. Depicts Lawrence's homosexuality. Violence and descriptions of sex. For junior and senior high and older readers. 1995.

Last of the Free RC 43038
by Gareth Patterson
read by Graeme Malcolm
1 cassette
The author's account of his life and adventures with three orphaned lion cubs in the wild. In a casual style, Patterson describes how he resettled the cubs in a Botswana safe haven, where he helped them to stalk and hunt. He tells of the many lions and elephants lost to poachers, game hunters, and ranchers and his efforts to thwart these human preda-

tors. Depicts Patterson's commitment to wildlife. 1994.

Full House: The Spread of Excellence from Plato to Darwin RC 43041
by Stephen Jay Gould
read by Butch Hoover
2 cassettes
Asserts that trends cannot be interpreted in isolation, but should be seen in terms of a "full house" of general variation within an entire system. For example, in the evolution of life, it is diversity, rather than increasing complexity, that represents nature's standard of excellence. Bestseller 1996.

Water Wars: The Fight to Control and Conserve Nature's Most Precious Resource RC 43046
by Olga Cossi
read by Patricia McDermott
1 cassette
Explains why, even though 71 percent of the planet is covered with water, fresh, clean water is an "endangered species." Discusses pollution, competition for water, and regulation of the resource. Includes water-saving tips, a glossary, and two case studies in the ongoing water wars. For junior and senior high readers. 1993.

Heart: A Memoir RC 43052
by Lance Morrow
read by Randy Wieck
2 cassettes
Memoir of the author, journalist, and senior writer at *Time* magazine. Having endured a heart attack and bypass surgery at the age of thirty-six, Morrow now finds himself repeating this very process at fifty-three. While recuperating, Morrow uses this time to ruminate—on his own inner rage, the impact of alcohol on his family's life, and his reaction to his excursions into Bosnia. Some strong language. 1995.

Eccentrics: A Study of Sanity and Strangeness RC 43062
by David Weeks and Jamie James
read by Gary Tipton
2 cassettes
A neuropsychologist and a writer survey "odd" behavior from historical times to the twentieth century and draw conclusions about the relative health, happiness, and creativity of eccentrics. Examples include "Emperor Norton" of California; Johnny Appleseed; and Florence Foster Jenkins, whose awful singing packed recitals at the Ritz-Carlton. 1995.

Breakthrough: The Race to Find the Breast Cancer Gene RC 43064
by Kevin Davies and Michael White
read by Butch Hoover
3 cassettes
An account of the international scientific effort that resulted in the isolation of the breast cancer gene, BRCA1, in 1994. Working from evidence linking heredity to the risk of breast cancer, researchers pinpointed the faulty gene and its precise location. Discusses some implications of these findings. 1996.

A Touch of Wonder RC 43073
by Arthur Gordon
read by Lou Harpenau
2 cassettes (Reissue)
The author encourages readers to learn the art of living by experiencing and appreciating the wonder in commonplace events. He also explores faith, awareness, wisdom, and self-discovery. 1974.

The Murrow Boys: Pioneers on the Front Lines of Broadcast Journalism RC 43101
by Stanley Cloud and Lynne Olson
read by Robert Sams
4 cassettes
A narrative about the pioneers of broadcast journalism who were hired and nurtured by CBS's Edward R. Murrow. Describes the significance of their live coverage of World War II in shaping public opinion and in setting early standards for radio journalism. Traces the careers of "the Murrow Boys" over the following half century. 1996.

Partners in Power: The Clintons and Their America RC 43127
by Roger Morris
read by John Rayburn
4 cassettes
Examination of Bill and Hillary Clinton's rise to power. Morris details many of the controversies and scandals associated with the Clintons: the Whitewater investment deal, the handling of Vince Foster's suicide, and allegations of Bill Clinton's numerous infidelities and financial misdealings while still governor of Arkansas. Bestseller 1996.

Drinking the Rain RC 43134
by Alix Kates Shulman
read by Jill Ferris
2 cassettes
The feminist author's account of her time living alone in an isolated cabin on the coast of Maine. She reflects on the changes in the women's movement, the crumbling of her marriage, and her disappointment about her reaction to aging. She gains a new perspective and strength while alone. 1995.

Over the Hills: A Midlife Escape across America by Bicycle RC 43144
by David Lamb
read by Bob Askey
2 cassettes
Travelog of a middle-aged reporter's cross-country journey. Recounts the physical and mental challenges of solo bicycle travel and sketches towns and characters Lamb met en route. Weaves in vignettes about bicycle history. 1996.

The Rarest of the Rare: Vanishing Animals, Timeless Worlds RC 43145
by Diane Ackerman
read by Mary Woods
2 cassettes
A collection of six essays chronicling the author's journeys to the habitats of rare and endangered species. Ackerman's visits to the homes of Hawaiian monk seals, short-tailed albatrosses, golden lion tamarins, and other species are reported with her sense of adventure and wonder. She also discusses the consequences of allowing species to become extinct. 1995.

Slouching towards Gomorrah: Modern Liberalism and American Decline RC 43177
by Robert H. Bork
read by Bob Moore
3 cassettes
Accuses modern liberalism of deteriorating America's standards of behavior and social institutions. Traces America's cultural decline from the radical ideologies of the 1960s, which pervade society in the 1990s. Predicts a dire national future if this trend goes unchecked. Bestseller 1996.

Make the Connection: Ten Steps to a Better Body and a Better Life RC 43178
by Bob Greene and Oprah Winfrey
read by Christopher Hurt
1 cassette
Talk-show host Oprah Winfrey's personal trainer details ten steps he claims will increase metabolism and help shed excess weight. Winfrey describes her ongoing struggle with weight loss and her successes while training with Greene. Bestseller 1996.

Love Thy Neighbor: A Story of War RC 43190
by Peter Maass
read by Ken Kliban
3 cassettes
A reporter's impassioned account of the war in Bosnia, where an entire country is the battleground and everyone is a combatant. Describes Serb leaders as "manipulators" and indicts Western leaders as "appeasers" in this conflict. Strong language and violence. 1996.

The Varnished Truth: Truth Telling and Deceiving in Ordinary Life RC 43191
by David Nyberg
read by Gordon Gould
2 cassettes
Challenges basic assumptions about truth and deception. Argues that deception is a normal attribute of human nature and necessary for personal mental health and social stability. Offers everyday examples of deceit as a necessary function. 1993.

Urban Odyssey: A Multicultural History of Washington, D.C. RC 43195
edited by Francine Curro Cary
read by Frank Coffee
3 cassettes
Seventeen essays that trace the immigrant history of the nation's capital. Tells how every ethnic group, from the early Native Americans to the recent Koreans, has struggled to preserve its community network and cultural traditions. 1996.

Animal Theology RC 43197
by Andrew Linzey
read by Gordon Gould
2 cassettes
Avers that the issue of moral justice for animals has been neglected by the theological world. Argues that Christian theology provides a basis for the ethical treatment of animals, and offers the Christ-given paradigm of "lordship manifest in service" as the proper model for human dominion over animals. 1994.

Weight Watchers Quick Meals RC 43229
by Weight Watchers International
read by Patricia McDermott
3 cassettes
Menus for complete dinners that can be prepared in thirty minutes or less. Includes master staples and equipment lists and 250 recipes grouped as poultry; fish and seafood; meat; pasta, grains, and beans; and meatless meals. Each recipe lists nutritional information per serving, and each menu includes a preparation schedule for maximum efficiency. 1995.

Driven to Distraction RC 43288
by Edward M. Hallowell and John J. Ratey
read by Christopher Hurt
2 cassettes
Two psychiatrists, both coping with attention deficit disorder (ADD) themselves, compare ADD to nearsightedness: the person with ADD—who is easily distracted, impulsive, and sometimes hyperactive—needs help in order

to focus. The authors explore ADD's causes and offer tips for managing the condition. Includes case studies and a list of relevant organizations. 1994.

Weight Watchers Success Every Day
RC 43289
by Weight Watchers Staff
read by Catherine Byers
2 cassettes
Collection of 365 meditations for the "weight-loss journey" on such subjects as exercise, journal writing, emotions, cravings, time management, appearance, and attitude. Each daily meditation is accompanied by a quote from noted authors and others and by a tip on how to incorporate the advice. Bestseller 1996.

The Way of the Wizard: Twenty Spiritual Lessons in Creating the Life You Want
RC 43290
by Deepak Chopra
read by George Holmes
2 cassettes
Using the legend of Arthur, Chopra presents steps for spiritual transformation to being a free and loving person. Here, Merlin is the source of spiritual wisdom, and his stories guide the reader to perspectives fostering growth to find the wizard, or spiritual transformer, within. Bestseller 1995.

A Simple Path RC 43309
by Mother Teresa
read by Annie Wauters
1 cassette
Tells how from an early age, Mother Teresa, born in 1910, felt a need to help others. Then in 1946, she received her second call that instructed her to "give up all and follow Jesus into the slums—to serve him in the poorest of the poor." Mother Teresa says she follows a simple path: "The fruit of silence is prayer. The fruit of prayer is faith. The fruit of faith is love. The fruit of love is service. The fruit of service is peace." Bestseller 1995.

The Choice RC 43310
by Bob Woodward
read by Robert Sams
4 cassettes
A political history tracing the preparations of candidates Clinton and Dole for the 1996 presidential election. Examines the personal and political relationships among key policy makers and provides inside views on the federal budget battles, the top-secret Bosnian strategy sessions, and the making of major campaign decisions. Strong language. Bestseller 1996.

Waylon: An Autobiography RC 43334
by Waylon Jennings
read by L.J. Ganser
3 cassettes
A country music legend recalls the determination that led to his reputation as one of country music's "outlaws." He describes how he defied "Nashville sound" and forged his own blend of rock and country music. He also discusses his friendships with musicians Willie Nelson and Johnny Cash. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1996.

Understanding Cub Scouts with Disabilities RC 43346
by Boy Scouts of America
read by Christopher Hurt
1 cassette
A guide for helping Cub Scout leaders incorporate boys with disabilities into the Cub Scouting program. Explains various types of disabilities and suggests particular adaptations of Cub Scout

activities to increase participation, success, and enjoyment for boys with special needs. 1994.

Beginnings and Blueprints RC 43490
edited by Kenneth Jernigan
read by Ed Blake
1 cassette
Nine accounts that give insight into how blind persons handle everyday situations. Jernigan explains how he reads blueprints, Marc Maurer tells of building a new porch roof with his two sighted children, and David Walker explains how he fishes alone. 1996.

Cassettes Fiction

The Exodus: The Children of the Lion, Volume 10 RC 38498
by Peter Danielson
read by Patrick Horgan
3 cassettes
The Teller of Tales continues his story of how the Shepherd Kings were driven out of Egypt, and of the defeat of the Nubian army by the Egyptians, led by Moses. Now he speaks about the Red Sea, upon which hang the destinies of the Egyptians and Hebrews, and of the Children's wanderings in a new land. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. Sequel to *The Deliverer (RC 38497)*. 1989.

Fires of Winter RC 41831
by Johanna Lindsey
read by Anne Hancock
3 cassettes
Lady Brenna of Wales hates the Vikings, and she cannot understand why her father has promised her to Garrick Haardrad, son of a Viking chieftain. But she loves her father and will do his bidding. However, when Garrick's father arrives to claim Brenna for his son, he comes with only vengeance on his mind. Some violence and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1980.

***Playboy* Stories: The Best of Forty Years of Short Fiction RC 42199**
edited by Alice K. Turner
read by Gary Roan
5 cassettes
Collection of short stories that have appeared in *Playboy* magazine. Authors include Ray Bradbury, Shirley Jackson, James Thurber, James Baldwin, John Cheever, Joyce Carol Oates, Nadine Gordimer, Isaac Bashevis Singer, and many more. The preface states, "There is no 'formula' to *Playboy* fiction—though we admit to a weakness for a good, strong story line." Descriptions of sex and some strong language. 1994.

Children of the Alley RC 42356
by Naguib Mahfouz
read by Roy Avers
3 cassettes
Originally written in 1959. The Nobel Prize-winning author spins a tale of the descendants of Gabalawi, a wealthy and powerful man. Outcasts of the family settle around the walls of the estate to form an "alley," which becomes the birthplace of Egypt. Outwardly, the story depicts the residents' struggles, weaknesses, successes, and failures. At a second level of meaning, it is an allegory of the spiritual history of humankind. Violence and some strong language. 1996.

House on Fire RC 42368
by Denis Hamill
read by Ray Foushee
3 cassettes
Fireman Kevin Dempsey wooed his wife, Polly, after saving her from a fire.

He buys a house for her birthday while she's on vacation, but she calls to say she and daughter, Zoe, are not returning—and that Zoe is not his biological child. While Kevin reels from the lab tests that prove his sterility, his older brother Frank, a cop suspended for stealing, sets out to find Polly. Strong language and explicit descriptions of sex. 1996.

The Tunnel RC 42472
by William H. Gass
read by Steven Carpenter
6 cassettes
William Frederick Kohler, a midwestern professor in his fifties, has finished his life's work—a study called *Guilt and Innocence in Hitler's Germany*. All Kohler has left to write is the preface. But as he attempts to do so, he finds himself writing the story of his own life, spent mostly either in a chair or digging a tunnel out of his basement. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1995.

Collected Short Stories RC 42527
by Aldous Huxley
read by Anne Flosnik
3 cassettes
Twenty-one short stories originally published in 1957 reflect Huxley's penchant for mysticism and interest in social commentary. Includes "Happily Ever After," "The Death of Lully," "Sir Hercules," "Little Mexican," "Young Archimedes," "Chawdron," "Fairy Godmother," and "The Claxtons." 1957.

Showdown at Centerpoint: Star Wars Corellian Trilogy, Book 3 RC 42546
by Roger MacBride Allen
read by Chuck Benson
2 cassettes
As Luke Skywalker, Han Solo, and Princess Leia fight to put down the revolt of the Human League in the Corellian sector, it becomes apparent that the rebels have weapons capable of incredible destruction at their disposal. And the worst of these is the infamous Starbuster, a weapon that can be programmed to annihilate entire solar systems. Sequel to *Assault at Selonia (RC 42545)*. 1995.

Banking on Death: A John Putnam Thatcher Mystery RC 42560
by Emma Lathen
read by Andy Chappell
2 cassettes
What begins as a "nuisance trust" to New York banker John Putnam Thatcher becomes a murder investigation and much more. The Schneider family is difficult at best, but are some of them involved in the death of one of the heirs? 1961.

The Yellowstone: Rivers West RC 42563
by Win Blevins
read by Roy Avers
2 cassettes
The Great Northwest, 1840s. Robert Burns Maclean, known to all as Mac, has been trapping in the Shining Mountains with several other men. He feels at loose ends, but when he sees the Yellowstone, he realizes his destiny lies along its banks. He will start his own trading business and ask permission to marry Annemarie, a Cheyenne woman. But Mac has no money with which to begin his venture. Strong language and some violence. 1988.

Battle Flag RC 42564
by Bernard Cornwell
read by Roy Avers
3 cassettes
Nate Starbuck, Bostonian turned Confederate officer, serves under Stonewall

Jackson during the hectic summer of 1862. Overcoming both personal and military challenges, Nate distinguishes himself in a series of actions leading up to the climactic and bloody Second Battle of Manassas. Sequel to *Copperhead (RC 39191)*. 1995.

The Powder River: Rivers West RC 42576
by Win Blevins
read by Roy Avers
2 cassettes
Adam Smith Maclean, part Indian, who works as a doctor at an army fort to which Cheyenne people are being relocated, and Elaine, a teacher, have just gotten married. On the couple's wedding night, the Cheyenne decide they can no longer endure their treatment and must return to the Powder River, fifteen hundred miles north. Adam and Elaine feel they must go also, but army soldiers will not make it an easy trip. Some strong language and some violence. 1990.

HMS *Cockerel*: An Alan Lewrie Naval Adventure RC 42577
by Dewey Lambdin
read by Bruce Huntey
3 cassettes
A domesticated Alan Lewrie is recalled to active service for England's war with revolutionary France. As first lieutenant aboard the HMS *Cockerel*, Alan is caught up in the bloody siege of Toulon, a brief capture by Napoleon Bonaparte, and a climactic sea battle. A fast-paced, bawdy story told with technical and historical detail. Strong language and explicit descriptions of sex. 1995.

The Truest Pleasure RC 42588
by Robert Morgan
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
North Carolina mountains, early twentieth century. Ginny Peace is seventeen when she attends her first Pentecostal revival and has an experience that causes religion to become a major force in her life. Ginny eventually meets and joins Tom Powell in a marriage of convenience: she needs someone to help her care for her father and their land, and Tom wants a farm of his own. But soon Ginny's faith becomes a problem for Tom. Some strong language. 1995.

Animal Planet RC 42598
by Scott Bradfield
read by Barry Bernson
2 cassettes
A dark and incisive satire on corporate America and popular culture. Charlie the Crow roams the globe inciting an animal revolt against human domination. Though Charlie's own rebellion is quashed, it sets off a wildlife uprising that is soon exploited by opportunistic human marketers. Strong language. 1995.

The Colorado: Rivers West RC 42600
by Gary McCarthy
read by Roy Avers
2 cassettes
Isaac Beard works for his father-in-law in St. Louis until the day mountain man Jim Savage comes to town. Following a series of unfortunate incidents, Isaac and Jim set out for the Colorado Grand River, where they plan to become rich trapping beaver. It is more than a year before Isaac returns to St. Louis to claim his family. But things have changed, and it is a different family that makes a home

along the Colorado. Strong language and some violence. 1989.

Changing Seasons: 1954–1980
RC 42602
by Betty Palmer Nelson
read by Terry Hayes Sales
3 cassettes
Evelyn Lanier met Ward Knight in high school and married him after college. As the years go by, the children arrive, Evelyn becomes restless, and the marriage breaks up. Only then does she begin to realize she must rely on the strength of previous generations of women in her family. Sequel to *Uncertain April (RC 39428)*. Some strong language. 1996.

The Collected Short Fiction of Bruce Jay Friedman RC 42603
by Bruce Jay Friedman
read by Barry Bernson
3 cassettes
This collection of short stories, originally published between 1953 and 1995, is divided into seven sections: "By Way of Introduction," "Crazed Youth," "Halcyon Days," "Mother," "Sex," "Death," and "The Family Man." Known for his black humor and satiric, surrealistic style, Friedman includes works previously uncollected or unpublished. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1995.

***Ship Fever* and Other Stories RC 42607**
by Andrea Barrett
read by Carole Jordan Stewart
2 cassettes
Collection of eight short stories, many taking place in the historical past and within the context of scientific inquiry and discovery. The title piece, a novella set during Ireland's Great Famine, describes the existential adventure of a young Canadian doctor who tends to Irish immigrants suffering from typhus while he tries to impress the woman he loves. 1996.

Bloodline RC 42610
by Sidney Sheldon
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes (Reissue)
When beautiful Elizabeth Roffe becomes heir to her father's international pharmaceutical empire, her decision not to sell the stock exposes her and the company to great danger. Some strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1978. 1977.

The Harry Chronicles RC 42619
by Allan Pedrazas
read by Ray Foushee
2 cassettes
With income from his Fort Lauderdale beach pub, Harry Rice finances his avocation as a private investigator. When Harry is hired to locate a stolen gun collection, he becomes embroiled in adultery, smuggling, and murder—for which he himself is a suspect. An elusive naked dancer and an iron-pumping mobster add color. Some strong language. 1995.

St. Famous RC 42621
by Jonathan Dee
read by Ray Foushee
2 cassettes
While Paul Soloway is recuperating from having been kidnapped and beaten, he is courted by the media to tell his story. An unpublished novelist, Paul is loath to cash in on what he considers to be a cheesy story of random violence. When his agent finally discovers which buttons to push, Paul agrees to a lucrative book deal about his experience. Meanwhile Paul's captured abductor is

contemplating his own claim to fame. Some strong language and some violence. 1996.

Accounting for Murder: A John Putnam Thatcher Mystery RC 42632
by Emma Lathen
read by Andy Chappell
1 cassette
At first, Senior Vice President John Putnam Thatcher is acting only to protect the Sloan Guaranty Trust interests in the National Calculating Company (NCC). But when a renowned auditor reviewing the NCC books is murdered, Thatcher launches into an investigation of the sinister business. 1964.

The House on the Lagoon RC 42669
by Rosario Ferré
read by Gabriella Cavallero
3 cassettes
In twentieth-century Puerto Rico, Isabel is writing a novel that depicts her marriage and the family history. Her husband, angered at her account, adds his version of events. The combined story reveals political conflicts, power struggles, racism, and sexism that pit family members against one another. 1995.

The Dawn of Mercy: Winds of Change, Volume 1 RC 42677
by Michael R. Joens
read by David Hartley-Margolin
3 cassettes
Already three generations of Hochreiters have kept the Montana ranch going, and Tyler, as first-born, is expected to follow in his father's footsteps. But Tyler knows that the family's gift for farming has gone to his brother Billy. Tyler wants to become a preacher. But will his father understand? 1996.

Zia Summer RC 42682
by Rudolfo Anaya
read by David Hartley-Margolin
3 cassettes
The murder of his beautiful cousin haunts Sonny Baca, small-time private investigator. More than a sense of obligation to his Chicano family, his love for Gloria drives him to investigate what looks like a cult sacrifice of her life. The fears and undercurrents around the murder threaten to explode the usually peaceful Albuquerque, with its coexisting Hispanic, Anglo, and Native American cultures. Strong language, violence, and descriptions of sex. 1995.

Equation for Evil RC 42683
by Philip Caputo
read by Chuck Benson
4 cassettes
In California, Duane Boggs opens fire on a school bus full of Asian American children and then kills himself. Special agent Gabriel Chin is assigned to assist psychiatrist Leander Heartwood in performing a psychiatric autopsy on Boggs to determine if the slaying was driven by racism or something else. They soon realize the strong probability of a mastermind behind Boggs. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1996.

Four Ways to Forgiveness RC 42690
by Ursula K. Le Guin
read by Yvonne Fair Tessler
2 cassettes
Four interconnected novellas that all take place on the twin planets Werel, a slave-owning oligarchy, and Yeowe, Werel's subjugated colony, which eventually rebels and wins independence. The protagonist of *A Woman's Liberation* is a former slave, who escapes one

kind of servitude only to discover its existence in another form. Some descriptions of sex. 1995.

Hide and Seek RC 42717
by James Patterson
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Singer Maggie Bradford has fame, two children, and a new husband named Will who is an actor and former soccer star. But Maggie, who once killed an abusive husband, suspects Will of sexually abusing her daughter. She confronts him and soon is on trial for murder. Strong language, violence, and descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1996.

Exclusive RC 42718
by Sandra Brown
read by Yvonne Fair Tessler
3 cassettes
Not known as an outstanding reporter, Barrie Travis is delighted when the first lady offers her an exclusive about her son's crib death. But the president's wife has more than simple grief on her mind, and soon Travis is investigating a complex plot. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1996.

A Broken Vessel: Julian Kestrel Mystery RC 42753
by Kate Ross
read by James DeLotel
2 cassettes
A nineteenth-century Cockney prostitute, Sally Stokes, pinches an anonymous letter written by a woman whose life is in danger. Julian Kestrel, a dandy and amateur sleuth, sets out with Sally to save the woman, but they must determine her identity and that of Sally's client. Strong language, violence, and some descriptions of sex. 1994.

Conquerors' Pride RC 42756
by Timothy Zahn
read by Roy Avers
2 cassettes
After a long period of interstellar peace, an eight-ship Peacekeeper task force is attacked and destroyed. When a high-ranking statesman discovers that his son is the sole survivor of the battle, he recruits Adam Quinn of the elite Copperheads to mobilize his team of fighter pilots for the rescue. 1994.

Bearer of the Pipe RC 42760
by Don Coldsmith
read by David Palmer
2 cassettes
Dark Antelope, chief tracker and scout of Elk-Dog People, is borne a son, Wolf Pup. This "child of destiny" comes to discover his true calling: medicine man and bearer of the pipe, the Story Skins, and the sacred Spanish bit. However, before he can realize his destiny, Wolf Pup must undergo a dangerous vision quest into the wilderness. 1995.

Choke RC 42762
by Stuart Woods
read by Bruce Huntey
2 cassettes
Former Wimbledon contender Chuck Chandler teaches tennis in Key West. His first clients are millionaire Harry Carras and his wife, Clare. Chuck's attraction to Clare makes him a murder suspect when Harry dies in a mysterious diving accident. Strong language and explicit descriptions of sex. 1995.

Out of the Darkness RC 42763
by Susan Kelly
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
Liz Connors is worried about her income when two of the magazines she

writes crime columns for in Cambridge, Massachusetts, threaten to fold. Then noted crime writer Griffin Marcus asks her to help him with a book. Over the past few years, the bodies of women with multiple stab wounds in their chests have been found on the banks of a local river. Marcus wants to prove a man just captured is responsible. Strong language and some violence. 1992.

Secret Admirer RC 42764
by Patricia MacDonald
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
On New Year's Eve, children's book author and illustrator Laura Reed is in her sick son's room when she hears a loud noise. Knocked unconscious by an intruder, Laura awakens to find her husband dead and herself the prime suspect, especially in the eyes of her mother-in-law. When childhood acquaintance Ian Turner sails into the beach town, Laura is grateful for his friendship, even though it starts more hateful rumors. Strong language and some violence. 1995.

Windy City Blues: V.I. Warshawski Stories RC 42770
by Sara Paretsky
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
Collection of nine stories set in Chicago about the tough female private eye. In "Grace Notes," V.I. relates the history of her family as she tracks down her grandmother's past. Features several characters from other Warshawski mysteries. Some strong language and some violence. 1995.

The Distinguished Guest RC 42771
by Sue Miller
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
Activist author Lily Maynard, in her eighties, is in failing health and must live with her son's family until she moves into a retirement community. Her acclaimed memoirs have brought her notoriety but also revealed her family's pain, which they now must face. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1995.

Carnal Hours RC 42773
by Max Allan Collins
read by Bruce Huntey
2 cassettes
The wealthy Sir Harry Oakes, ensconced in tax-free Nassau in 1943, hires Chicago sleuth Nate Heller to get the adulterous goods on his son-in-law. Harry is killed, and his daughter asks Nate to clear her husband of the murder charge. Nate runs into a web of political intrigue in the idyllic islands. Strong language, violence, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1994.

Arachne RC 42778
by Lisa Mason
read by Madelyn Buzzard
2 cassettes
Far above the town of post-quake San Francisco, bionic professionals make instant psychic transactions in telespace. When hallucinations and blackouts threaten Carly Nolan's promising law career, she is pressured to undergo psychic surgery at the hands of a fiend who steals human souls. Strong language and descriptions of sex. 1990.

Walking West RC 42779
by Noëlle Sickels
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
The tale of a grueling and parlous migration of families by covered wagon from Indiana to California in 1852. The story, told from a woman's point of view, is a chronicle of the seven-month journey related in "common little bits . . . the chores and smells and songs and aches." A story of human courage and commitment. Some descriptions of sex. 1995.

The Party at Jack's RC 42780
by Thomas Wolfe
read by James DeLotel
2 cassettes
Written in 1937. Wealthy stockbroker Fritz Jack and his Broadway-designer wife host a party for "the arty crowd" in their Park Avenue penthouse. When a fire breaks out, characters of disparate social levels are brought together, contrasting the worlds of the privileged and the depression have-nots. 1995.

Home Fires RC 42782
by Luanne Rice
read by Carole Jordan Stewart
2 cassettes
After the death of her small daughter and the discovery of her husband's infidelity, Anne Davis returns to her family home on a New England island. When the house catches fire, Anne is rescued by a fireman who understands completely the pain she's experiencing. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. 1995.

Ghostlight RC 42783
by Marion Zimmer Bradley
read by Madelyn Buzzard
3 cassettes
Truth Jourdemayne lost her parents in 1969. Her mother died in an occult experiment, conducted by her father, which went wrong. Her father disappeared. Now, thirty years later, Truth is writing a book about him and wants to uncover the truth. She must also prevent a group from repeating the experiment. Some strong language. 1995.

Lily White RC 42799
by Susan Isaacs
read by Barbara Pinolini
4 cassettes
Attorney Lily White (known as Lee) is defending a charming con man who moves from town to town seducing middle-aged women out of their money, and who is now accused of murdering his latest mark. In alternate passages, Lee reviews the shabby treatment in her own personal life. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1996.

Caliban's Hour RC 42818
by Tad Williams
read by David Hartley-Margolin
1 cassette
Driven by a lust for revenge, Caliban has escaped his island and come to Naples to slay Prospero, the duke of Milan. But Prospero is dead, and only his daughter, Miranda, lives to feel the brunt of Caliban's rage. He steals into her bedroom late at night, but before killing her, he will take an hour to tell her the story of his suffering and enslavement. A fantasy tale based on Shakespeare's *The Tempest*. 1994.

Eye of the Storm RC 42819
by Marcia Muller
read by Pam Ward
2 cassettes
Private investigator Sharon McCone's sister Patsy is involved in fixing up a bed-and-breakfast on an island in the

Sacramento delta. The construction is hampered by odd pranks, and Patsy wants Sharon to determine if they are related to a supposed curse on the island. Soon after Sharon meets Patsy's partners and staff, a murder occurs. During a raging storm on the island, Sharon must determine who is the killer. Strong language. 1988.

Daring to Dream RC 42829
by Nora Roberts
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
Laura Templeton, Kate Powell, and Margo Sullivan are raised as sisters. Laura and her brother Josh are heirs of the Templeton Hotel family. Kate is an orphaned cousin. Margo, the daughter of the housekeeper, becomes a world-famous model until her dreams are shattered. Prequel to *Holding the Dream (RC 44156)*. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1996.

Hard Christmas: A Cat Marsala Mystery RC 42834
by Barbara D'Amato
read by Mary Woods
2 cassettes
Researching a feature story on the Christmas-tree industry, Cat spends Thanksgiving with the DeGraaf family near Holland, Michigan. The beauty of the rural landscape and the clan's warm welcome mask growing tensions until someone puts a young farm worker through the tree baler. Some strong language and some violence. 1995.

Passage to Dawn RC 42835
by R.A. Salvatore
read by Erik Sandvold
2 cassettes
In this sequel to *Siege of Darkness (RC 40730)*, Drizzt and Cattie-brie alter their ship's course to rescue a friend who has been captured by Errtu, master of treachery. Since Drizzt banished Errtu to the Abyss, the evil one has longed for vengeance and freedom. Now, with the trap set, Errtu's dream is within reach. Bestseller 1996.

Tales of Burning Love RC 42836
by Louise Erdrich
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
3 cassettes
Jack Mauser, a passionate man, is the connection among four North Dakota women trapped in a blizzard. Four of his ex-wives share their unique tales of life with the lovable Jack. Characters from Erdrich's earlier works reappear in this wry novel. Strong language and explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1996.

Champagne for One: A Nero Wolfe Mystery RC 42840
by Rex Stout
read by Jim Zeiger
2 cassettes (Reissue)
A murderer poisons only one of many glasses of champagne, and Nero Wolfe is called in to determine how. Some strong language. 1958.

The Member-Guest RC 42841
by Clint McCown
read by David Hartley-Margolin
2 cassettes
Ten interrelated stories by a two-time American Fiction Award winner. Tales are linked to a second-rate country club, where a member-guest tournament sets the stage for characters whose lives are marked with a sense of frustration. Rod, the pro golfer turned manager, considers romance and a return to competition. Bev, the snack bar opera-

tor, cheats on her golf-cart-stealing husband. Some strong language. 1995.

The Secret of Two Brothers RC 42846
by Irene Beltrán Hernández
read by Jim Zeiger
1 cassette
At twenty-one, Beaver Torres, in prison for a crime he didn't commit, is paroled. His parole officer points out that Beaver now has two strikes against him: his prison background and his abusive father. Beaver has no intention of returning to prison. Besides his overriding goal of shielding his little brother from the life Beaver led, he dreams of turning his prison-taught cooking skills into a career. For junior and senior high readers. 1995.

Doctors and Lawyers and Such RC 42847
by Susan Rogers Cooper
read by Bob Askey
2 cassettes
Newly elected Oklahoma sheriff Milt Kovak of *Other People's Houses (RC 34383)* sees a rash of suicides in his usually quiet county. He is also investigating the murder of a celebrity and helping his wife, a polio survivor, cope with her pregnancy. Some strong language. 1995.

King of Spades RC 42855
by Frederick Manfred
read by Jim Zeiger
2 cassettes (Reissue)
Young Earl Ransom is found on the prairie with no memory of how he got there or who he is. Years later on the Dakota frontier, Earl confronts his identity and the conflicts of his past. A family saga set in the mid-nineteenth-century American West. Descriptions of sex. 1966.

The Big Ballad Jamboree RC 42856
by Donald Davidson
read by Jim Zeiger
3 cassettes
In 1940s North Carolina, country music singer Danny MacGregor hopes to wed his childhood sweetheart, Cissy Timberlake. But Cissy goes to college to study folk music, and soon the two must contend with a thieving professor, bootleggers, and conflicts between their folk heritage and music as a business. 1996.

I Will Fear No Evil RC 42857
by Robert A. Heinlein
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
4 cassettes (Reissue)
Aged Johann Sebastian Bach Smith has his brain transplanted into a new body. The operation is a huge success, but he is no longer Sebastian. He is now fused with the very vocal personality of his beautiful secretary Eunice. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1970.

Tracks of the Hunter RC 42859
by John Callahan
read by Bob Askey
1 cassette
John Garrett's son sits in a Mexican jail waiting for a firing squad. Formerly part of an outlaw band, he faces charges including murder. But the Mexicans want the band's ringleaders and offer Garrett his son's life in exchange for the seven vicious killers. 1968.

The Death of Bernadette Lefthand RC 42860
by Ron Querry
read by Gabriella Cavallero
2 cassettes
After performing native dances for a loving crowd, wearing a white deerskin dress she had carefully made, Bernadette

is brutally murdered. Gracie, her younger sister, and Starr, a white model who employed Bernadette, reveal terrible events that have occurred in the Navajo and Jacarillo communities. Bernadette represents good in the struggle against the evils of alcohol and witchcraft. Strong language and violence. 1993.

The Year the Horses Came: Earthsong Trilogy, Volume 1 RC 42879
by Mary Mackey
read by Madelyn Buzzard
3 cassettes
In prehistoric Brittany, the earth goddess reigns over a people who honor women and the life-giving force. Young Marrah is shocked when Stavan, a stranger from an approaching tribe, tells of his warlike culture. They journey to warn others of invaders on horseback. Prequel to *The Horses at the Gate (RC 42880)*. Violence, strong language, and explicit descriptions of sex. 1993.

The Rose without a Thorn RC 42904
by Jean Plaidy
read by Margaret Strom
2 cassettes
Young Katherine Howard, though impoverished, has noble connections that lead her to the sumptuous court of Henry VIII. As Henry tires of Anne of Cleves, the pretty Katherine is chosen as his fifth queen, a deadly proposition. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1993.

Marling Hall: A Barsetshire Novel RC 42906
by Angela Thirkell
read by Anne Flosnik
2 cassettes
Mr. Marling, of Marling Hall, realizes he will probably never be able to hold onto his wonderful old estate and to pass it down to his children. World War II is bringing an end to so many things, but in the months prior to Pearl Harbor, the Marlings carry on as best they can in the face of rationing and changed living conditions. 1942.

In a Glass House RC 42929
by Nino Ricci
read by Peter Gil
2 cassettes
In this sequel to *The Book of Saints (RC 33390)*, Victor comes from Italy to live with his father and illegitimate sister in Canada. Victor's father hates the girl, and Victor becomes her protector. Amid family tensions, Victor struggles between the ways of the Old World and the New. Strong language. 1993.

Louisa May Alcott's Fairy Tales and Fantasy Stories RC 42939
by Louisa May Alcott
read by Annie Wauters
4 cassettes
Thirty-nine didactic tales spanning Alcott's entire literary career, including "The Frost King," "Ripple, the Water Spirit," "Little Gulliver," "A Strange Island," "Fairy Pinafores," "The Candy Country," "Cockyloo," and "Mermaids." First collection to include all of Alcott's fairy tales and fantasy stories from 1845–1888. 1992.

A Fate Totally Worse than Death RC 42945
by Paul Fleischman
read by Kimberly Schraf
1 cassette
The Huns are a group of very rich students at Cliffside High School. Earlier, three Hun girls arranged the death of an outsider who tried to date a Hun. Now Helga, a new girl, is showing interest in a Hun boy. But as the girls make

their plans for Helga, their bodies start aging rapidly. For junior and senior high readers. 1995.

Thirteen Stories and Thirteen Epitaphs RC 42949
by William T. Vollmann
read by Gregory Gorton
2 cassettes
These short stories exploring the underside of American life are unified, in part, by the main character's recurring involvement with peculiar people in unusual situations. Prostitutes, pimps, parlor girls, and vagabonds pepper these "epitaphs." Strong language and some descriptions of sex. 1991.

Saying Grace RC 42954
by Beth Gutcheon
read by Faith Potts
2 cassettes
The Country School in Seven Springs, California, is run by headmistress Rue Shaw. Rue's daughter, who is heading to Juilliard, is a shining example of Rue's success. But troubled children and teachers disrupt the school, and Rue's own life begins to unravel. 1995.

The Riders RC 42995
by Tim Winton
read by Graeme Malcolm
2 cassettes
After years of wandering around Europe, Australian Fred Scully, his wife, and their daughter decide to settle in rural Ireland. While Fred works on the house there, the others return to Australia to settle affairs. When his daughter comes back alone, Fred sets out on a desperate search for his wife. Strong language. 1994.

Irene's Last Waltz RC 42996
by Carole Nelson Douglas
read by Barbara Caruso
3 cassettes
Irene Adler, who has matched wits with Sherlock Holmes before, meets him again as she probes sinister phenomena around the Bohemian court: an unconsummated royal marriage and the reappearance of the legendary monster Golem in the Prague ghetto. 1994.

Dreams of Dead Women's Handbags: Collected Stories RC 42998
by Shena Mackay
read by Patricia Kilgarriff
3 cassettes
Thirty-one short stories written since 1974 by this British author who often tells of bizarre circumstances in the seemingly normal lives of her characters. In "The Most Beautiful Dress in the World," a weary housewife murders a meter reader after a morning of nonstop irritations. 1994.

***A Book That Was Lost* and Other Stories RC 43007**
by S.Y. Agnon
read by Robert Blumenfeld
3 cassettes
Twenty-five short stories of modern Hebrew literature, some first-time English translations, from the Nobel Prize-winning author. Agnon chronicles the "lost world" of East European Jewry as well as traditional Jewish life in Poland and modern life in Israel in such pieces as "Buczacz," a mythical account of the founding of Agnon's hometown. 1995.

Elizabeth and Her German Garden RC 43013
by Elizabeth von Arnim
read by Yolande Bavan
1 cassette
Elizabeth first sees her German garden when she and her husband leave Berlin and move to their family estate in the 1890s. There Elizabeth finds contentment and escape from her children and husband, the "Man of Wrath," as she watches the changing seasons in her beloved garden. Prequel to *The Solitary Summer (RC 43014)*. 1898.

The Solitary Summer RC 43014
by Elizabeth von Arnim
read by Yolande Bavan
1 cassette
In this sequel to *Elizabeth and Her German Garden (RC 43013)*, Elizabeth discusses the summer she spent in near solitude enjoying her garden. She did occasionally have to contend with her husband, the "Man of Wrath," and her children. 1899.

Blood Sympathy: A Joe Sixsmith Novel RC 43015
by Reginald Hill
read by George Holmes
2 cassettes
Joe Sixsmith, a black, balding, middle-aged, laid-off lathe operator, believes Luton, England, needs a private investigator. He has just set up shop with his feline partner when he is confronted by several clients: a man who claims to have killed his family, a woman whose husband is being held on suspicion of drug smuggling, and a neighbor whose shop is being visited by petty thieves. Some strong language. 1993.

The Bad Samaritan: A Novel of Suspense Featuring Charlie Peace RC 43021
by Robert Barnard
read by George Holmes
2 cassettes
When vicar's wife Rosemary Sheffield realizes she has lost her faith, she takes a trip to the seashore to think it over. There she befriends a young Bosnian man, who follows her back home to the vicarage. Gossip that they are having an affair takes a back seat to a more serious charge. The Bosnian is suspected of killing an unlikable church member, and detective Charlie Peace is on the case. 1995.

The Body in the Bog: A Faith Fairchild Mystery RC 43024
by Katherine Hall Page
read by Barbara Caruso
2 cassettes
When a developer proposes to build a housing subdivision on a New England bog, environmentalists are outraged. After verbal threats escalate to vandalism, arson, and murder, Faith Fairchild investigates and becomes a stalker's target. 1996.

GoldenEye RC 43033
by John Gardner
read by Graeme Malcolm
1 cassette
James Bond faces Janus, a ruthless Russian gang that has transcended ideology in favor of money and power. Now that Janus has acquired GoldenEye, a high-tech space system that can destroy the West's financial markets, its nefarious goal is within reach unless 007 can outwit it. Violence and descriptions of sex. 1995.

The Dharma Bums RC 43036
by Jack Kerouac
read by Ed Blake
2 cassettes
In 1955 two young men search for Truth the Zen way in their dissolute wanderings on America's West Coast. A story that celebrates the freedom of those who have opted out of conventional society. 1958.

Penrod and Sam RC 43040
by Booth Tarkington
read by Jack Fox
2 cassettes
Penrod and his buddy Sam get involved in numerous childhood pranks. In the best of military traditions, they take "bonded pris'ners" in their battles. Penrod has a special tonic he sells at his "drug store." They refuse to dance with the girls at Amy Rennsdale's birthday party. And they buy a "stolen" horn. For high school and older readers. 1916.

A Crown of Swords: The Wheel of Time, Book 7 RC 43043
by Robert Jordan
read by Roy Avers
5 cassettes
In this sequel to *Lord of Chaos (RC 39661)*, Elayne, Aviendha, and Mat attempt to disrupt the world's unending heatwave and restore natural weather through the use of ter'angreal. Meanwhile, Rand al'Thor—the Dragon Reborn—has a showdown with the fearsome Forsaken Sammael at Shadar Logoth, as Mashadar, the predatory mist, lurks nearby. Some violence. 1996.

Himmelfarb RC 43047
by Michael Krüger
read by Andy Chappell
1 cassette
In 1942, Richard, a German social scientist, travels to the Amazon with his assistant, Leo, to study its people. Richard disdains the natives, while Leo embraces their culture. When Leo falls ill, he leaves a brilliant manuscript to Richard, who returns home alone to publish it as his own. After fifty years Leo reappears to settle the score. 1994.

Chief Joseph: War Chiefs RC 43051
by Bill Dugan
read by John Polk
2 cassettes
Fictionalized account of Chief Joseph and the Nez Perce War in 1877. When gold is discovered in the Columbia Basin, settlers are allowed by corrupt officials to encroach in the Nez Perce reservation. As Chief Joseph tries to flee to Canada and freedom, he confronts the U.S. Army aiming to stop his flight. A tragic war ensues. 1992.

The Snake River: Rivers West RC 43054
by Win Blevins
read by Roy Avers
2 cassettes
Pacific Northwest, 1830s. Flare O'Flaherty is a trapper who seems down on his luck when Dr. Samuel Full asks him to lead a group of Christians to a mission on the Pacific Coast. Full doesn't like O'Flaherty's terms, but Miss Jewel, a missionary, convinces him. Along the way O'Flaherty faces many challenges, but the greatest are Miss Jewel and Sima, a young brave who is searching for his white father. Some strong language and some violence. 1992.

Signals of Distress RC 43074
by Jim Crace
read by David Palmer
2 cassettes
In 1837 two ships arrive at remote Wherrytown on the English coast. One ship brings Aymer Smith with news that stands to devastate the local economy. The second is an American emigration ship run aground. The confluence of these visitors and the residents leads to conflicts over slavery, technology, religion, and culture. Explicit descriptions of sex. 1995.

Whistling in the Dark: True Stories and Other Fables RC 43081
by George Garrett
read by Andy Chappell
2 cassettes
A mix of personal stories and anecdotes that relate to life experiences of the author. While most concern events from his academic career and World War II, Garrett also offers some irreverent comments on his forbears from Civil War times. 1992.

Who Brings Forth the Wind RC 43099
by Lori Wick
read by Jill Ferris
3 cassettes
Having grown up in the country, Stacy Daniels is hesitant to go to London. But at her family's urging, Stacy goes and is quickly caught up in the social season of 1853. A chance meeting with Lord Tanner Richardson soon brings happiness and then turmoil into her life. Sequel to *Wings of the Morning (RC 39528)*. 1994.

Dove and Sword: A Novel of Joan of Arc RC 43108
by Nancy Garden
read by Gerry Kasarda
2 cassettes
Gabrielle, who grew up with Jeannette d'Arc, tells of Jeannette's going to war to help the French recover their throne from the English. Gabrielle studied healing with her mother and is well prepared to serve as an army medic. But she is not prepared to see her friend burned at the stake. For junior and senior high readers. 1995.

How I Changed My Life RC 43121
by Todd Strasser
read by Gregory Gorton
1 cassette
In alternating chapters, high school students Bo and Kyle discuss a period of change in their lives. At loose ends after a knee injury, former football captain Kyle tries out for the school play. This displeases his girlfriend, Chloe, but delights Bo, the stage manager, who develops a crush on Kyle. For junior and senior high readers. 1995.

An Island like You: Stories of the Barrio RC 43132
by Judith Ortiz Cofer
read by Gabriella Cavallero
1 cassette
Stories about teens who blend two cultures in a Puerto Rican barrio in New Jersey. In "Bad Influence," Rita disobeys and is shipped to Puerto Rico to spend the summer with her rather odd grandparents. In "Arturo's Flight," after being teased about liking poetry, Arturo plans to run away. Some strong language. For junior and senior high readers. 1995.

The Book of Knowledge RC 43140
by Doris Grumbach
read by Martha Harmon Pardee
2 cassettes
An idyllic summer leads four children to an anguished sexual awakening at a New York seaside resort in 1929. Their later lives are shattered by the depression, World War II, and personal tragedies. Yet, it is their stifled sexual needs that lead to their ultimate undoing. Descriptions of sex. 1995.

The Doors Open RC 43146
by Michael Gilbert
read by Jim Zeiger
2 cassettes
Life before World War II had been good to Paddy Yeatman-Carter. And during the war, he commanded the finest regiment in the British army. But his peacetime life as a clerk is a dull one—until he happens to intervene in an attempted suicide. That single altruistic act plunges Paddy into a world of intrigue and peril. 1962.

The Pumpkin Rollers RC 43160
by Elmer Kelton
read by Bob Askey
2 cassettes
With the Civil War over, young Trey McLean believes the time has come to head west and fulfill his dream of becoming a cattleman. Known at first as a pumpkin roller (a green farmboy with no knowledge of ranching), Trey soon learns, but not without some problems—and a little romance—along the way. Some strong language. 1996.

The Third Twin RC 43176
by Ken Follett
read by Madelyn Buzzard
3 cassettes
A young woman scientist happens upon a genetic research project to produce the ideal soldier. She locates and becomes involved with one of the cloned men, who stands accused of a rape committed by his twin. Her research uncovers a vast conspiracy to genetically alter all of society. Strong language, violence, and descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1996.

The Notebook RC 43180
by Nicholas Sparks
read by Robert Sams
1 cassette
An elderly man reads from a notebook to his wife, who has Alzheimer's disease. Gradually he unfolds the story of a couple who fell in love the summer after high school and were reunited by a fluke fourteen years later. But will his wife recognize her own story? Some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1996.

An Acceptable Time RC 43198
by Madeleine L'Engle
read by Nona Pipes
2 cassettes
In this companion to *A House like a Lotus (RC 23837)*, sixteen-year-old Polly O'Keefe visits her grandparents' farm in Connecticut and discovers a "time gate" that takes her back three thousand years. There she meets Anaral, a Native American girl; Karralys, a druid expelled from Britain; and Tav, a warrior who has accompanied Karralys. For junior and senior high readers. 1989.

A High Wind in Jamaica RC 43203
by Richard Hughes
read by Tom Martin
2 cassettes (Reissue)
An adventure fantasy first published in 1929. A hurricane razes the Thornton home in the West Indies and the children are sent to England. Word reaches

the parents that the children have been captured by pirates. Some violence. 1928.

As the Wolf Loves Winter RC 43216
by David Poyer
read by Christopher Walker
3 cassettes
In this sequel to *Winter in the Heart (RC 39035)*, the petroleum resources of Hemlock County are nearly depleted. When hunter "Racks" Halvorsen witnesses a murder in the woods, he follows the culprits to a field of illegal gas wells, where a kidnapped girl is held. Racks attempts to rescue the girl and escape through the icy forest. Violence and strong language. 1996.

Ugly Ways RC 43218
by Tina McElroy Ansa
read by Camille McCurty Ali
2 cassettes
Three grown sisters return home for the funeral of their mother, Mudear. As the sisters reminisce, they discuss their own lives and fears, realizing how deeply they were affected by their mother's remoteness. In the process, each daughter comes to grips with her relationship to Mudear. Strong language. 1993.

Moonlight Becomes You RC 43231
by Mary Higgins Clark
read by Sharon Murray
2 cassettes
In a terrifying opening scene, fashion photographer Maggie Holloway finds herself buried alive in a satin-lined coffin. The tale flashes back to Maggie's recent reunion with her long-ago stepmother, Nuala Moore. After Nuala is violently killed, Maggie links her death and others to a single person—who has the same designs on Maggie. Bestseller 1996.

Married at Midnight RC 43232
by Kathleen E. Woodiwiss and others
read by Mitzi Friedlander
2 cassettes
In this sequel to *Three Weddings and a Kiss (RC 41314)*, Woodiwiss and three different authors recount the stories of four more brides. In each account a young woman unexpectedly finds herself becoming a bride surprised by unforeseen love. Explicit descriptions of sex and some violence. Bestseller 1996.

Out of Sight RC 43239
by Elmore Leonard
read by Ray Foushee
2 cassettes
While on a prison visit, deputy marshal Karen Sisco becomes locked in a car trunk with escaping felon Jack Foley. Later, as Foley is about to score a multimillion-dollar heist, he becomes romantically connected with Sisco, who is part of a federal stakeout. Strong language and violence. Bestseller 1996.

The Burning Man RC 43243
by Phillip Margolin
read by David Palmer
2 cassettes
After botching a major case at his father's law firm, Peter Hall hopes to redeem himself as a small town's public defender. When he agrees to defend a retarded man in a murder case, Hale is forced to confront his own limitations and accept an awesome responsibility. Strong language, violence, and descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1996.

Gods and Generals RC 43292
by Jeff Shaara
read by Christopher Hurt
4 cassettes
Shaara depicts the onset of the Civil War right up to the Battle of Gettysburg

in this prequel to his father's *The Killer Angels (RC 8688)*. The story is told primarily through the lives of Stonewall Jackson, Winfield Scott Hancock, Joshua Chamberlain, and Robert E. Lee. Describes significant battles fought at Chancellorsville and Fredericksburg. Bestseller 1996.

To the Hilt RC 43293
by Dick Francis
read by Graeme Malcolm
2 cassettes
Alexander Kinloch would rather be in Scotland painting, but he is called home to London. His stepfather has had a heart attack after learning that large sums of money have been stolen from the family brewery. It is now up to Alexander to save the business, and his only hope seems to be a horse named Golden Malt. Some strong language. Bestseller 1996.

Promises RC 43294
by Belva Plain
read by Barbara Caruso
3 cassettes
Adam Crane almost didn't marry Margaret, even though they had been engaged for some time. There was another woman, Randi, in his life. But they did marry, their lives have been happy, and they have raised three lovely children and Margaret's cousin, Nina. Then on a trip to New York, they run into Randi. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1996.

Heartstone RC 43295
by Phillip Margolin
read by L.J. Ganser
2 cassettes
Richie Walters and Elaine Murray are high school students when they begin dating. The night they drive up to Lookout Park, Richie plans to ask Elaine to go steady with him. But someone else shows up, and suddenly Richie is dead and Elaine is missing. Now, years later, Willie Heartstone knows he is dying, and he wants to tell the truth about what happened that night. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1978.

Servant of the Bones RC 43298
by Anne Rice
read by Ken Kliban
3 cassettes
Azriel is an educated and wealthy young man living as a captive Hebrew in ancient Babylon. Saved from death by evil priests and sorcerers, he is transformed into a supernatural spirit in human form to carry out their bidding. Azriel battles the dark forces as he embarks on a journey through time and ends up in 1990s Manhattan. Some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1996.

The Fallen Man RC 43319
by Tony Hillerman
read by Bob Askey
2 cassettes
Retired Navajo policeman Joe Leaphorn joins his former partner Jim Chee in investigating the skeleton of a man found on a mountain ledge. Chee, who is also tracking cattle rustlers, follows a trail that sheds light on the fallen man and helps the two sleuths uncover the story of his tragic death. Bestseller 1996.

Tarnished Gold RC 43327
by V.C. Andrews
read by Mary Woods
2 cassettes
Gabriel lives in the Louisiana swamp with her Cajun parents. Just before graduating from high school, she is

raped by wealthy, married Octavious Tate. Pregnant, Gabriel reluctantly agrees to give the baby to the Tates. Later when Gabriel falls in love with an unhappily married man, she gets pregnant again. Prequel to *Hidden Jewel (RC 43329)*. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller 1996.

The Killing Floor RC 43353
by Peter Turnbull
read by Graeme Malcolm
2 cassettes
The grisly discovery of a headless, handless corpse sets the Glasgow police on a trail of clues and conspiracies involving murder, blackmail, and corruption. The investigation uncovers a thirty-year-old fraud that could shake the city to its foundations. A story that uses descriptions of police and forensic procedures. 1994.

Tularosa RC 43385
by Michael McGarrity
read by Gregory Gorton
2 cassettes
Retired Santa Fe detective Kevin Kerney goes back into action when his former partner's soldier-son disappears. Kerney joins forces with comely army investigator Sara Brannon in the search and makes a tragic discovery that sets them on a perilous trail of smuggling, treason, and murder. Strong language and violence. 1996.

The Christmas Tree RC 43548
by Julie Salamon
read by Brian Conn
1 cassette
Inspired by the New Jersey nuns who in 1995 donated a large Norway spruce to Rockefeller Center for its official Christmas tree. The Center's chief gardener tells this tale of his yearly search for the perfect Christmas tree and of what happens when the one he wants is the best friend of an elderly nun. Bestseller 1996.

The Last Thing He Wanted RC 43551
by Joan Didion
read by Madelyn Buzzard
1 cassette
Washington Post reporter Elena McMahon receives a distress call from her father, a dealer in illegal weapons. His dying request is that she deliver a shipment of arms to the contras in Costa Rica. Soon Elena discovers that she is the dupe in an intrigue plotted by her own government. She must take extreme measures to survive. Strong language. 1996.

The Christmas Box RC 43556
by Richard Paul Evans
read by Barry Bernson
1 cassette
Richard and Keri Evans and their four-year-old daughter, Jenna, are living in a cramped one-room apartment when a unique opportunity arises. MaryAnne Parkin, an elderly woman with a large home, is looking for a live-in couple who can cook and do light housekeeping. And children are welcome. As the four become a family, Richard, who is starting his own business, learns a valuable lesson from MaryAnne and her Christmas box. Bestseller 1993.

Books for Children

Books listed in this issue of *Talking Book Topics* were recently sent to cooperating libraries. The complete collection contains books by many authors on fiction and nonfiction subjects, including animals, geography, nature, mystery, sports, and others. Contact your cooperating library to learn more about the wide range of books available in the collection.

Cassette books are labeled with the code RC and play at 1 5/16 ips. To order books, fill out the order form and send it to your cooperating library.

Cassettes Nonfiction

Charles Darwin: Naturalist RC 42606
by Margaret J. Anderson
read by Brian Conn
1 cassette
Recounts the life of Charles Darwin, who was born in England in 1809. As a young man he got a job as a naturalist with a ship captain who was to map the coast of South America. This five-year trip helped form Darwin's theory of evolution, which he discussed in his controversial book *The Origin of Species*. For grades 4-7. 1994.

Where the Flame Trees Bloom RC 42823
by Alma Flor Ada
read by Gabriella Cavallero
1 cassette
Children's book author tells of growing up in Cuba with her extended family. She has picked stories from those "hanging in the branches of the trees of [her] childhood." Alma's blind great-grandmother Mina, who sold or gave handmade dolls to neighbors and gave gifts to her relatives according to their wealth and needs, managed to keep things in balance even though she never learned mathematics. For grades 3-6. 1994.

A Caribbean Dozen: Poems from Caribbean Poets RC 43026
edited by John Agard and Grace Nichols
read by Robin Miles
1 cassette
Collection of more than fifty poems from a "Caribbean dozen" of thirteen poets. The verses cover local themes such as market day, the coming of a hurricane, the shining sun, and a cat who can fly. Each poet offers a glimpse into a tropical childhood, and a brief biography is included for each. For grades 2-4. 1994.

Hilde and Eli: Children of the Holocaust RC 43044
by David A. Adler
read by Janis Gray
1 cassette
Hilde was the daughter of a German shop owner and Eli was the son of a Czechoslovakian rabbi. Using information from surviving family members, the author describes how the lives of Hilde and Eli were affected by Hitler's coming to power in 1933. For grades 3-6 and older readers. 1994.

Why Do Leaves Change Color? RC 43090
by Betsy Maestro
read by Patricia McDermott
1 cassette
Explains how leaves begin to change color in the fall, as the days grow shorter and the leaves get less sunlight to keep them green. For grades 2-4. 1994.

Dance with Me RC 43151
by Barbara Juster Esbensen
read by Pam Ward
1 cassette
Poems that celebrate the dance-like aspects of the wind, gardening, babies, lightning, basketball, and more. "A soft plunk! / a slam dunk / and light / as a thistle / you land." For grades 2-4. National Council of Teachers of English Award. 1995.

Out of the Ark: Stories from the World's Religions RC 43201
by Anita Ganeri
read by Suzanne Toren
1 cassette
Collection of stories comparing the diverse ways seven religions look at topics such as the Creation, the Flood, animals, and the lives of religious leaders. Contains information on Buddhism, Christianity, Hinduism, Islam, Judaism, Shinto, and Sikhism. For grades 3-6. 1994.

The Korean War: "The Forgotten War" RC 43354
by R. Conrad Stein
read by Ed Blake
1 cassette
A chronology of events and battles of the 1950–1953 Korean War, tracing the desperate American defense of Pusan, the daring invasion at Inchon, and the final stalemate at the thirty-eighth parallel. Describes the conflict as a "forgotten war" that lacked broad interest and support among Americans. For grades 6-9. 1994.

Date Rape RC 43364
by Alexandra Bandon
read by Catherine Byers
1 cassette
Discusses the phenomenon of date rape, explaining when it can occur, how to avoid it, and where victims can seek help. First-person accounts and famous cases are presented as examples. For grades 6-9. 1994.

The Bone Detectives: How Forensic Anthropologists Solve Crimes and Uncover Mysteries of the Dead RC 43424
by Donna M. Jackson
read by Erik Sandvold
1 cassette
Follows a forensic anthropologist through his investigation of mysterious bones found at a Boy Scout camp. Proceeds step-by-step in developing a physical profile of the victim, analyzing fibers and other material found at the scene, and combining all of the evidence to solve the murder. For grades 4-7. 1996.

Cassettes Fiction

Mr. Putter and Tabby Pick the Pears RC 40958
by Cynthia Rylant
read by Marilyn Gleason
1 cassette
Mr. Putter and his fine cat, Tabby, love the fall. There are lots of juicy things growing in Mr. Putter's backyard—juicy apples, juicy tomatoes, and most of all juicy pears. Mr. Putter is looking forward to having some pear jelly, but when he tries to get the pears out of the tree, he has some big problems. For grades K-3. 1995.

The Trespassers RC 42585
by Zilpha Keatley Snyder
read by Lisa Kiava
1 cassette
Neely Bradford, eleven, and her eight-year-old brother, Grub, often visit de-

serted Halcyon House and play with the guard dog, who is a pushover for Grub. One day they find an open window and begin to explore inside the house, which seems to be haunted by the spirit of a young girl. For grades 3-6. 1995.

Miss Malarkey Doesn't Live in Room 10 RC 42605
by Judy Finchler
read by Gary Tipton
1 cassette
The first-grader who tells this tale is convinced that his teacher lives at school all the time. She eats in the cafeteria and sleeps in the Teacher's Room. But he gets a surprise when a moving van pulls up outside his apartment building. For grades K-3. 1995.

The Unbeatable Bread RC 42625
by Lyn Littlefield Hoopes
read by John Polk
1 cassette
A man wakes up one morning and declares he is going to bake a bread that will wake the world from winter's sleep. Although his wife complains that he has already baked too much and that there will be no one to eat the creation, he begins mixing dough for his unbeatable, undefeatable bread. For preschool-grade 2. 1996.

An Even Break RC 42626
by Sid Hite
read by Gary Tipton
1 cassette
Frisk, twelve, lives with his mother in the tiny town of Wilma. Frisk's parents separated before he was born, and his mother works as a grocery clerk while trying to save enough money to buy a house. To help out, Frisk lands a job working at a billiards hall where he gets the added bonus of learning to shoot pool from an expert. For grades 5-8. 1995.

The King's Shadow RC 42689
by Elizabeth Alder
read by Erik Sandvold
2 cassettes
As a young lad in 1063, Evyn has his tongue cut off and is sold into slavery to the mistress of Harold Godwinson, the Saxon earl of Wessex. Yet Evyn, nicknamed the Shadow, rises to importance and becomes squire to Godwinson, who for a brief time is king of England. Some violence. For grades 6-9. 1995.

Diving for the Moon RC 42736
by Lee F. Bantle
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
Carolina realizes how important friendship is when her best friend, Josh, learns he has become infected with the HIV virus from a blood transfusion. The summer before junior high is filled with other events that help Carolina as she grows up. For grades 4-7. 1995.

Holding onto Sunday RC 42767
by Kathryn O. Galbraith
read by Madelyn Buzzard
1 cassette
Jemma waits all week for Sunday to come. That is when her father has the day off and spends it with her. This week it is raining, and they go to the museum to see the dinosaurs. After dinner with Grandma back at home, Jemma tells her father some special news. For grades K-3. 1995.

Gina RC 42817
by Bernard Waber
read by Pam Ward
1 cassette
When Gina moves to a new apartment in Queens, New York, she looks for-

ward to making new friends. But there is a big problem: there are no girls Gina's age, and the boys don't want to play with a girl. That is, until Gina shows them she can throw a ball. For grades K-3. 1995.

The View from the Cherry Tree RC 42831
by Willo Davis Roberts
read by Erik Sandvold
1 cassette (Reissue)
Rob Mallory spends a lot of time in his family's cherry tree, especially now that his sister Darcy's wedding is drawing near. The tree overlooks the home of their hateful neighbor Mrs. Calloway, who is constantly complaining about Rob and his cat. The day before the wedding, Rob is shocked to see Mrs. Calloway get pushed out of her window. But no one will believe that her death wasn't an accident. For grades 5-8. 1975.

Fig Pudding RC 42839
by Ralph Fletcher
read by Jamie Horton
1 cassette
Cliff is the oldest of the six Abernathy children. His mom says the family always overdoes everything, but the year Cliff describes in this book is "like five years crammed into one." He starts with December when toddler Josh is very sick in the hospital and all he wants for Christmas is a mysterious "yidda yadda." By the next year's end, recovered Josh accidentally steps in the fig pudding his father made for a party. For grades 4-7. 1995.

Bed-Knob and Broomstick RC 42845
by Mary Norton
read by Jill Ferris
1 cassette (Reissue)
The three Wilson children are delighted to discover Miss Price, a lonely spinster and student witch who rides a broomstick, though somewhat uncertainly. In exchange for the children's keeping quiet about her witch activities, Miss Price casts a spell that creates a magical flying bed. A combined edition of "The Magic Bed-Knob" and "Bonfires and Broomsticks." For grades 3-6. 1957.

The Proving Ground RC 42852
by Elaine Marie Alphin
read by Erik Sandvold
1 cassette
When Kevin Spencer's father is assigned command of a U.S. Army proving ground, Kevin experiences the resentment that local people hold for the military. Kevin develops a crush on a local girl, comes to understand her anti-military sentiments, and uncovers a plot to sabotage the army base. The situation becomes Kevin's own personal "proving ground." For grades 5-8. 1992.

Lizzie Logan Wears Purple Sunglasses RC 42858
by Eileen Spinelli
read by Pam Ward
1 cassette
Eight-year-old Heather is greeted in her new neighborhood by a very rude Lizzie Logan. Heather is not sure she wants to be friends with the brash girl, but Lizzie is a character who has an intriguing side. For grades 2-5. 1995.

The Sleeping Lady RC 42902
retold by Ann Dixon
read by Mary Kane
1 cassette
If you look across Cook Inlet in Anchorage, Alaska, you can see Mount Susitna, also known as the Sleeping Lady. Dixon tells the story of the mountain's nickname and also why a place that used to be covered with trees and flowers is now covered with snow most of the year. For grades 3-6. 1994.

Adeline Street RC 42909
by Carol Lynch Williams
read by Carol Dines
1 cassette
In this sequel to *Kelly and Me (RC 42908)*, Leah mourns her sister and best friend, Kelly, who died of an aneurysm. Upset that her family won't cancel Christmas, Leah finds a way to celebrate that she knows would meet Kelly's approval. As the year goes on, Leah also struggles to understand other aspects of life. Some violence. For grades 3-6. 1995.

Owl Moon RC 42932
by Jane Yolen
read by Mary Kane
1 cassette
On a cold winter's night, under a bright full moon, a young girl and her father trek into the woods to see the Great Horned Owl. For preschool-grade 2. Caldecott Medal. 1987.

I Found Mouse RC 42947
by Pamela D. Greenwood
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
Tessie isn't enjoying herself this summer because her mother is away studying Native American art, her brother is backpacking with Grandad, and her father is too busy working at home to spend much time with her. But when Tessie finds a kitten, everything changes. For grades 2-4. 1994.

The Toilet Paper Tigers RC 42948
by Gordon Korman
read by Rick Rohan
1 cassette
By the time Professor Pendergast shows up at a Little League meeting to pick his team, there are only nine players left—all rejects. The team soon learns the professor knows nothing about baseball and has volunteered to coach just so his visiting granddaughter will have children around! But the worst horror is the jive-talking, smart-aleck granddaughter from New York who blackmails the team into letting her coach them. For grades 5-8. 1993.

A Walk to the Great Mystery RC 42959
by Virginia A. Stroud
read by Laura Giannarelli
1 cassette
When Dustin and Rose visit their Grandma Ann, she promises to show them the "Great Mystery," where the secrets of the earth come from. For grades K-3. 1995.

The Magic Moonberry Jump Ropes RC 43020
by Dakari Hru
read by Connie Winston
1 cassette
Two sisters want to jump rope, but there are no other children around to join them. Then Uncle Zambezi returns from Africa with beautiful jump ropes. He tells the girls the ropes are magical and their wishes will come true. Sure enough, a moving van arrives

with two new friends! For preschool-grade 2. 1996.

Zeely RC 43034
by Virginia Hamilton
read by Melissa Maxwell
1 cassette
Geeder Perry, eleven, and her brother, Toeboy, have gone to the country to visit Uncle Ross for the summer. The first night there, Geeder sees a vision she later learns is Zeely Tayber, a very tall girl with skin as black as ebony. Geeder becomes convinced Zeely is a queen, and only Zeely can set the record straight. For grades 4-7. 1967.

William's Doll RC 43039
by Charlotte Zolotow
read by Janis Gray
1 cassette
A little boy's wishes and needs for a doll are laughed at by his brother, unsatisfied by his father, but finally understood by his grandmother. For grades K-3. 1972.

Sam's Wild West Show RC 43057
by Nancy Antle
read by Jack Fox
1 cassette
Long ago Sam had a Wild West show with cowboys and cowgirls who did tricks with horses and ropes. After they performed in one town, the mayor got word that bank robbers were coming. He hired Sam and his group to stop them. For preschool-grade 2. 1995.

Hannah in Between RC 43060
by Colby Rodowsky
read by Kerry Cundiff
1 cassette
Hannah believes she is the only one who realizes her mother, a photographer, drinks too much. Hannah is afraid to drive with her and is embarrassed to have friends over but can't get up the nerve to call a hotline or discuss it with her father and relatives. For grades 5-8. 1994.

Vikki Vanishes RC 43071
by Peni R. Griffin
read by Sharon Murray
1 cassette
In alternating chapters, Vikki, sixteen, and her younger half sister, Nikki, explain what happens when Vikki's father suddenly reappears and takes Vikki on a shopping trip. For grades 6-9. 1995.

On the Trail with Miss Pace RC 43080
by Sharon Phillips Denslow
read by Madelyn Buzzard
1 cassette
When teacher Miss Pace arrives at her favorite vacation ranch out west she finds a big surprise. Twins Bill and Phil from her class are there, too! The boys are thrilled to learn Miss Pace knows a real cowboy. For preschool-grade 2. 1995.

Grandpa's Hotel RC 43089
by Riki Levinson
read by Janis Gray
1 cassette
Each summer all sixteen of Grandpa and Grandma's grandchildren come to his hotel to spend the summer. They have a great time, especially on Sundays when they gather eggs for Grandma to cook for breakfast, snitch bread from the bakery, and sit down to dinner in the big dining room. For grades K-3. 1995.

Seth and Samona RC 43109
by Joanne Hyppolite
read by Bob Moore
1 cassette
Fifth-grader Seth Michelin, who lives in Boston with his Haitian family, is con-

fused by changes in his brother and sister. Even classmate Samona Gemini, whose wild ideas have been getting Seth into trouble for two years, surprises him by joining a beauty contest. For grades 4-7. 1995.

Black Water RC 43115
by Rachel Anderson
read by Rick Rohan
1 cassette
Young Albert has epilepsy, which in nineteenth-century England is greatly misunderstood. Even though Albert's mother tends to believe a cure can be found, Albert realizes he must get on with his life. A chance encounter with author Edward Lear, who also has the "falling sickness," sends Albert off to see the world. For grades 6-9. 1994.

Wagons West! RC 43130
by Roy Gerrard
read by Pam Ward
1 cassette
Back in 1850, many Americans worked hard to make a living from the barren soil. When Buckskin Dan arrives in town with tales of rich green land in Oregon, a young girl and her family, along with their neighbors, set out on a long journey to a new home with Buckskin Dan as their guide. For grades 2-4. 1996.

Granny the Pag RC 43143
by Nina Bawden
read by Pam Ward
1 cassette
Because her parents are traveling actors, Cat has lived with her leather-wearing, motorcycle-riding Granny the Pag (Cat was angry and misspelled pig) since the age of six. Now at twelve, Cat's world is suddenly turned upside down when her parents want Cat to come live with them. For grades 4-7. 1995.

Her Stories: African American Folktales, Fairy Tales, and True Tales RC 43189
retold by Virginia Hamilton
read by Melissa Maxwell
1 cassette
A collection of folktales, fairy tales, and true stories of legendary women, all taken from traditional African American folklore. These stories are variously humorous, touching, scary, magical, and inspiring. For grades 5-8 and older readers. Laura Ingalls Wilder Award and Coretta Scott King Award. 1995.

Street Child RC 43200
by Berlie Doherty
read by Tom Martin
1 cassette
Based on the life of Jim Jarvis, the orphan whose plight inspired Dr. Thomas Barnardo to establish Britain's first children's refuge. In Victorian England, Jim is on a desperate quest to find a home after he escapes from the workhouse where his mother died. Instead he is enslaved and forced to work on a boat until he runs away and finds refuge in a shelter. For grades 3-6. 1993.

Somewhere around the Corner RC 43204
by Jackie French
read by Patricia Kilgarriff
2 cassettes
Barbara, a homeless girl, is caught in the middle of a demonstration taking place in Sydney, Australia, in 1994. She is scared to death until a kindly old man suggests that in her mind she "go around the corner" to escape. Barbara tries that and suddenly finds herself back in 1932. For grades 5-8. 1995.

Who's There? RC 43207
by Stephanie S. Tolan
read by Margaret Strom
1 cassette
After their parents are killed in a gas explosion, Drew Broderick and her brother, Evan, learn that they have a grandfather and an aunt living in a large old house called Rose Hill. Although not sure why their father never told them about his family, Drew loves it there, and even Evan, who has not spoken since the accident, seems happy. But it soon appears that Drew's new friend, Will, is right: the house is haunted! For grades 5-8. 1994.

The Luckiest Kid on the Planet RC 43235
by Lisa Campbell Ernst
read by Bruce Huntey
1 cassette
Lucky Morgenstern is the luckiest kid in the world. After all, his name is Lucky. Then one day he gets a letter and learns that his name is really Herbert. Suddenly he doesn't seem lucky anymore—until he recognizes his true good fortune. For preschool-grade 2. 1994.

Hound Heaven RC 43302
by Linda Oatman High
read by Margaret Strom
1 cassette
Silver Iris Nickles, who will be thirteen in four months, has been living with Papaw in his bark shanty in West Virginia since her parents and baby sister were killed in a car accident. More than anything, Silver wants a dog to love, but Papaw always says she'll get a dog over his dead body. Then Papaw has a heart attack. For grades 3-6. 1995.

There's an Owl in the Shower RC 43303
by Jean Craighead George
read by Terence Aselford
1 cassette
Borden Watson's father, a logger in northern California, is out of work because the government has banned logging in order to save the spotted owl. Borden is so angry he vows to kill any spotted owl he sees. Then he adopts what he thinks is a baby barred owl that has fallen from its nest. For grades 2-4. 1995.

The Haunting of Holroyd Hill RC 43305
by Brenda Seabrooke
read by Annie Wauters
1 cassette
Melinda is unhappy about moving to rural Holroyd Hill, Virginia, because it means having to make new friends, but her brother, Kevin, doesn't mind. As they explore the nearby woods, Melinda and Kevin are accosted by a frightening old man. Then they meet his grandson, Dan, and things improve—until a ghost appears. For grades 5-8. 1995.

Marrying Malcolm Murgatroyd RC 43307
by Mame Farrell
read by Ilona Dulaski
1 cassette
Hannah Billings is in the popular group at school, and Malcolm Murgatroyd is decidedly not. Hannah is horrified that the adult Billings and Murgatroyds are great friends who joke about Hannah and Malcolm's marrying someday. But when Hannah's brother Ian's muscular dystrophy sends him to the hospital, Hannah sees Malcolm in a different light. For grades 5-8. 1995.

Maizie RC 43312
by Linda Oatman High
read by Michele Schaeffer
1 cassette
Maizie's mother ran off with the vacuum cleaner salesman four years ago when Maizie's sister Grace was just a baby. Maizie has raised Grace and looked after their father in their trailer on Welsh Mountain. Now she's determined to earn enough money for her dream pony: a strawberry roan. For grades 3-6. 1995.

Venus among the Fishes RC 43431
by Elizabeth Hall and Scott O'Dell
read by Gabriella Cavallero
1 cassette
Coral, a girl dolphin, narrates this tale of her pod's attempt to protect itself from attacking killer whales. The pod needs more strong males like Coral's father, and Coral is sent to find her brother, Silver, and bring him home. But as she looks for Silver, Coral learns that humans may be an even greater threat. For grades 4-7. 1995.

Elfsong RC 43557
by Ann Turner
read by Carole Jordan Stewart
1 cassette
While visiting her grandfather's house, ten-year-old Maddy spots a tomcat wearing a saddle and racing through the woods. Later Maddy happens upon the rider, an elf named Nata, who introduces her to a secret elfin world, and Maddy and her grandfather help the elves defend themselves against a marauding owl. For grades 4-7. 1995.

Foreign Language Books

The following cassette titles are available in the languages designated.

Spanish

Tormenta Roja RC 40879
por Tom Clancy
leído por Juan Ramirez
7 cassettes
Un grupo de terroristas islámicos vuela una importante instalación de petróleo de Rusia. Enfrentados a una grave escasez de combustible, los soviéticos planean apoderarse del golfo Pérsico. Pero primero hacen una elaborada decepción contra la OTAN abriendo hostilidades en Europa. Siguen batallas por tierra, mar y aire para controlar la Europa del Este y el Atlántico Norte. Lenguaje injurioso. (A team of Moslem terrorists blows up a key Russian oil installation. Faced with a severe fuel shortage, the Soviets plan to seize the Persian Gulf, after establishing an elaborate smoke screen of hostilities against NATO. Land, sea, and air battles for control of eastern Europe and the North Atlantic ensue. Some strong language.) 1988.

Luis XIV, el Rey Sol RC 40882
por José María de Areilza
leído por Juan Ramirez
2 cassettes
Biografía del rey de Francia que reinó largamente durante el Siglo XVII. Es mejor conocido por el esplendor y la intriga de su corte y el palacio de Versalles, pero también es importante por

sus políticas que fortalecieron la monarquía francesa, expandieron el poder internacional y el prestigio de Francia, y pusieron en movimiento las fuerzas responsables de la creación de la nación francesa moderna. (Biography of the long-reigning seventeenth-century king of France best known for the splendor and intrigue of his court and palace at Versailles, but also renowned for his policies that strengthened the French monarchy, expanded the international power and prestige of France, and set in motion the forces responsible for the creation of the modern French nation.) 1990.

El Color Purpura RC 40883
por Alice Walker
leído por Maria Pino
2 cassettes
Narra la historia de dos hermanas negras: Nettie una misionera en Africa; y Celie, una esposa-niña. Celie ha sido violada por el hombre que ella cree ser su padre, y después le arrebatan sus dos hijos, obligándola casarse con un hombre al que odia. Además, las cartas de Nettie no llegan a Celie, y el sentido de la vergüenza de Celie es tan agudo que acaba escribiendo una serie de cartas a Dios. Lenguaje injurioso y algunas descripciones explícitas de índole sexual. (The story of two black sisters: Nettie, a missionary in Africa; and Celie, a child-wife who has been raped by the man she believes to be her father, robbed of her two children, and married off to a man she hates. Nettie's letters do not reach Celie, and so great is Celie's sense of shame that she writes a series of letters to God. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex.) 1986.

Horizontes Perdidos RC 40885
por James Hilton
leído por Juan Ramirez
2 cassettes
Shangri-La es un hermoso territorio escondido en las atlas montañas de Asia, donde nada cambia. A Hugh Conway le conducen allí sin quererlo él, pero más tarde la idea de la vida eterna llega a fascinarle. (Shangri-La is a beautiful, hidden land in the high mountains of Asia, where nothing changes. Hugh Conway is brought there unwillingly, but he becomes fascinated by the idea of eternal life.) 1975.

No Llores Más, My Lady RC 40889
por Mary Higgins Clark
leído por Juan Ramirez
2 cassettes
Antes de prestar declaración en el juicio del hombre acusado de asesinar a su querida hermana, la atormentada Elizabeth decide relajarse en un deslumbrante balneario de California. Se queda atónita al descubrir que el hombre acusado del asesinato es también huésped del balneario. Sospecha que está siendo manipulada y se asusta al descubrir que su vida corre peligro. (Before testifying at the trial of the man accused of murdering her beloved sister, a distraught Elizabeth decides to unwind at a glitzy California spa. Astonished to find the accused murderer is also a guest at the spa, she suspects she is being manipulated and is alarmed to find her own life in danger.) 1988.

Talking Book Magazines

Discs

These free direct-circulation magazines are produced for NLS. Magazines marked with a dagger (†) will be available beginning in January 1998. If you currently subscribe to one of the magazines that will be discontinued and replaced by a new title, you will automatically receive the new magazine and need not take any action. In all other cases, contact your cooperating library for subscriptions.

American Heritage (8 issues)

Analog Science Fiction and Fact (13 issues)

The Atlantic Monthly (monthly)

Civilization: The Magazine of the Library of Congress (bimonthly)

†**Computer Life** (monthly)

Consumer Reports (monthly)

Contemporary Sound Track: A Review of Pop, Jazz, Rock, and Country (bimonthly)

†**Diabetes Forecast** (replaces **Encore**; current subscribers will automatically receive this new magazine; monthly)

†**Discover** (general science; replaces **Natural History**; current subscribers will automatically receive this new magazine; monthly)

†**Eating Well** (food and health; 6 issues)

Ebony (monthly)

Ellery Queen's Mystery Magazine (11 issues)

Good Housekeeping (monthly plus special issues)

†**Health and Nutrition Newsletters** (includes **Dr. Andrew Weil's Self Healing, Healthline, The Johns Hopkins Medical Letter—Health after Fifty,** and **Nutrition Action Healthletter;** replaces **Prevention;** current subscribers will automatically receive new newsletters; monthly)

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Money (monthly plus special issues)

The Musical Mainstream (quarterly)

The Nation (47 issues)

National Geographic (monthly)

National Review (biweekly)

New Choices: Living Even Better after Fifty (10 issues)

†**The *New York Times* Book Review** (replaces **The *Washington Post* Book World**; current subscribers will automatically receive new magazine; weekly)

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†**People Weekly** (personalities and entertainment news; weekly)

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Le Journal Français (monthly)

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Selecciones del *Reader's Digest* (monthly)

†**Seventeen** (young women's fashion; monthly)

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†**Sports Illustrated for Kids** (monthly)

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